

# 2014 ANNUAL REPORT



*Serving Yates County Citizens for 191 years*

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March 31, 2015

Chairman Timothy Dennis  
Yates County Legislature

Dear Chairman et al:

I herewith submit the **2014 ANNUAL REPORT** for the Yates County Sheriff's Office, as well as other programs and departments for which I have administrative oversight. Given that we remain accredited in all applicable divisions you can all be assured that the men and women in this agency are operating under the highest contemporary and professional standards while serving Yates County.

I thank you, the members of the Legislature, for your support. Additionally, I thank County Administrator/Budget Officer Sarah Purdy. I thank my administrative staff, our line police and peace officers, civilians and part-timers. I would be remiss not to thank both units of Council 82 for our working relationship and although their agreement expired at the end of year, negotiations are continuing. I am pleased to recognize Lt. Todd Sotir as the Deputy of the Year and that the NYSSA honored Chief Dispatcher Sandra Smith with Emergency Communicator of the Year award for NY State.

It was a busy year for the agency in many ways and we have dedicated a part of this report on the response to the major flooding we experienced in May. The implementation of a Lieutenant for patrol and one for CID has been a positive one for management and is an operational achievement, etc. We also remain committed to drug investigations and apprehensions of those selling opiates and heroin. Our trained Drug Recognition Deputy and CID members have been very busy. As Sheriff I have visited all municipal boards and many organizations presenting on the scourge of heroin. Using grant funding we have started the transition of having new multi-band mobile and portable radios for public safety entities and we have commenced the major transition of our 911 PSAP to a new location within the YCPSB to be finalized in 2015. Sheriff's Assistant Kerry Brennan has done major work on grant writing and maintenance which allows the agency to move ahead with its mission and goals. We have received grant awards totaling \$600K this year. We continue to work on reducing overtime, especially in the jail, and we continue with our TJCI program and are constantly looking at improving efficiencies both operationally and fiscally. We have implemented "Leads-on-Line," new patrol armor vest carriers and the deputies are wearing body cameras. We remain safety concerned, operating older vehicles with higher mileage, given the county being unable to stay on the vehicle replacement schedule due to budget.

We continue to feel that we are the most visible part of county government operations that the people you and I serve county-wide will see on a twenty-four hour everyday basis. This report is detailed and informative. I am prepared to answer any questions. Best regards.

Sincerely,

*Ron Spike*

Ronald G. Spike, Sheriff



# *In Remembrance*

ON NOVEMBER 8, 1957 YATES COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFF WILLIAM "BILL" LEACH WAS ON DUTY AND WAS AT THE OFFICE OF JERSUALEM TOWN JUSTICE, CLARK BENEDICT WHEN THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE CALLED BY PHONE TO SAY THAT HE NEEDED TO RESPOND TO THE SOLDIERS AND SAILORS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOR A CALL. HE LEFT AND TRAVELED EAST ON THE SHERMAN HOLLOW ROAD AND JUST PAST THE BARNES ROAD HE WAS ROUNDING A CURVE, VEERED OFF THE ROADWAY AND STRUCK A TREE HEAD-ON, KILLING HIM .



INVESTIGATION BY UNDERSHERIFF RALPH LEGG AND CHIEF DEPUTY GEORGE SPIKE DETERMINED THAT TWO UNKNOWN VEHICLES HAD BEEN PARKED IN THE HIGHWAY AND LIKELY TALKING WHEN DEPUTY LEACH CAME AROUND THE BEND IN THE ROAD AND HE SWERVED TO THE RIGHT TO MISS HITTING THEM AND HIT THE TREE. WITNESSES REPORTED THAT VEHICLES WERE HEARD SPEEDING AWAY FROM THE ACCIDENT SCENE. THE COMMUNITY WAS SHOCKED AT THE TERRIBLE NEWS THAT THIS POPULAR OFFICER HAD BEEN KILLED ON DUTY.

**IN 2013 THE SHERIFF DISCOVERED THAT DEPUTY LEACH HAD NEVER BEEN PLACED ON THE NYS POLICE OFFICERS' MEMORIAL IN ALBANY, NY AND SO HE NOMINATED HIS NAME FOR A HISTORICAL SUBMISSION. IN MAY OF 2014 DEPUTY "BILL" LEACH'S NAME WAS ENGRAVED ONTO THE GRANITE WALL TO BE FOREVER REMEMBERED. UNDERSHERIFF JACK GLEASON REPRESENTED THE YCSO AT THE EVENT. DEPUTY LEACH'S SURVIVORS WERE VERY PLEASED THAT THEIR UNCLE HAD BEEN REMEMBERED. BILL, BY ALL ACCOUNTS WAS A POPULAR DEPUTY WHO DID GREAT CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE WORK AND WAS ESPECIALLY GOOD WITH PEOPLE. MAY HE REST IN PEACE.....**



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# Administrative Bureau

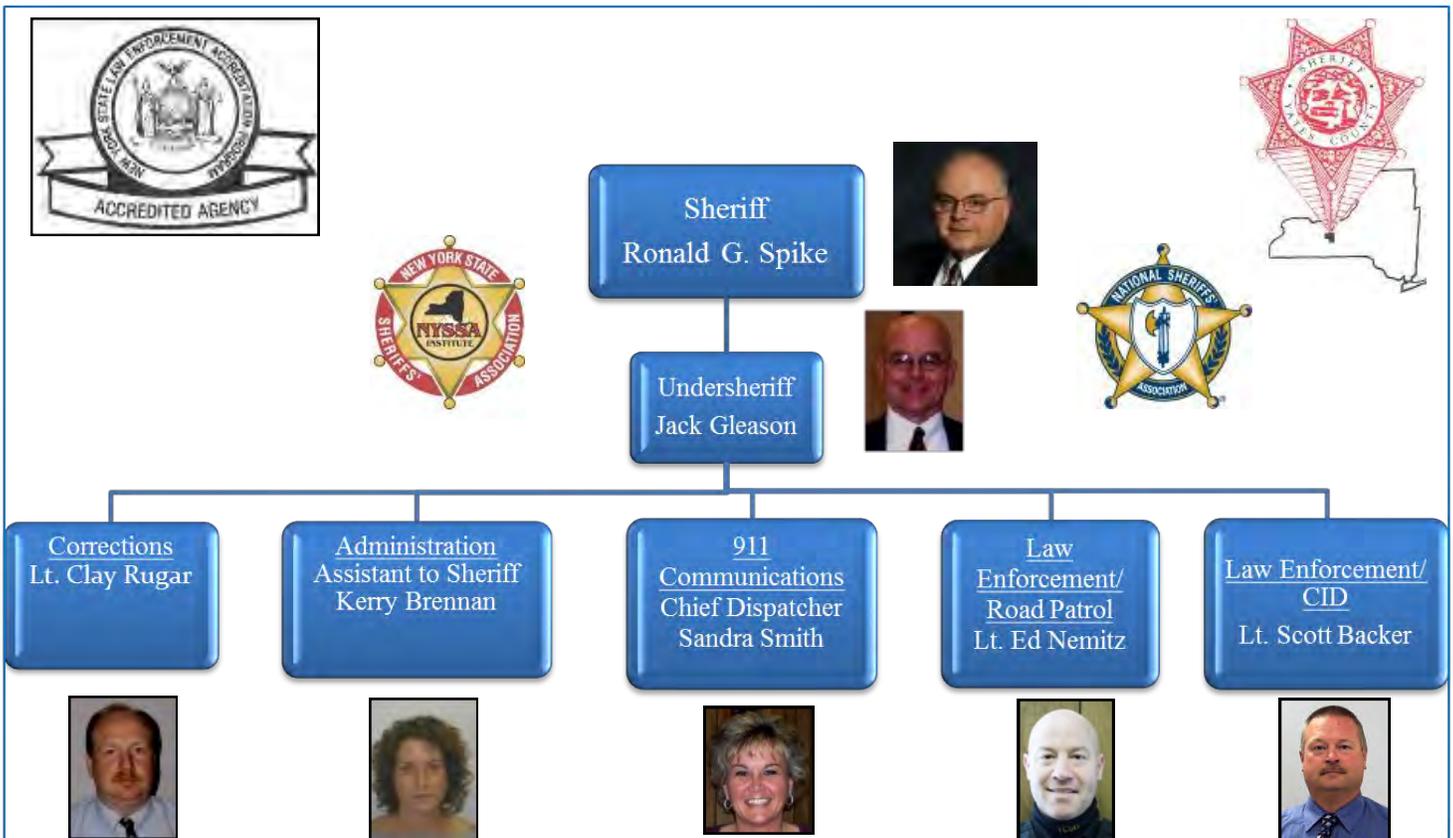
## MISSION STATEMENT

As conservators of the peace and public safety in Yates County, the Office of Sheriff will deliver effective and responsive law enforcement, corrections, court security, civil, and emergency communications services equally and fairly without regard to race, creed, ethnicity, or one’s social or economic standing. We value an exchange of ideas with all persons, groups and entities in order to deploy efficiently our resources for the good of the community and populations we serve. Our objective is to make Yates County a safe place in which to reside, work, visit and travel.

## VALUES

To the Citizens of Yates County: “I am honored to have served in this agency for forty-four years and as your Sheriff for the past twenty-three. To head an accredited diverse 24X7 law enforcement agency with well-trained professionals, understanding peace keeping and public service, fulfills me. Our most valuable asset are our employees and we pledge to improve ourselves through continued training and to be accountable for our actions. We value human life and dignity of all people and will take whatever action is required to protect and serve our citizens. We will uphold and defend the rights of all, guaranteed under our state and U.S. constitutions. We value the concepts of community policing and promote education and prevention programs including school resource, crime prevention, and boater and snowmobile safety. We strongly value partnerships with other county departments, entities and encourage communications with our community. We realize that in holding public office leadership positions that public trust is vital in both our professional and personal lives. I thank all of the staff.” *Sheriff Ron Spike*

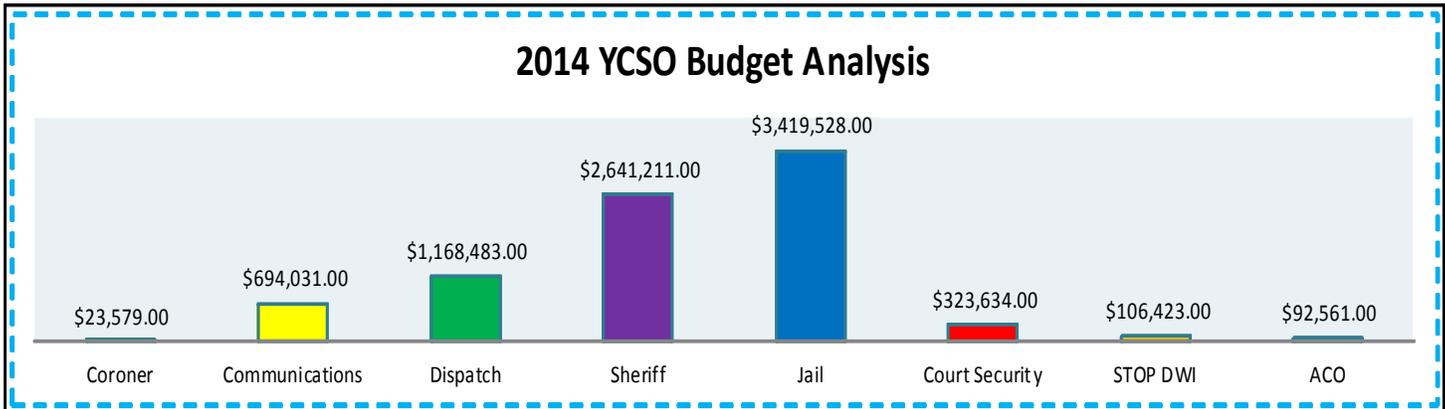
The Sheriff’s Office is a very diverse agency with over one-hundred full, part-time and seasonal employees with a very strong full-service law enforcement presence throughout the county. This office provides police patrol and special services including criminal investigations, youth and elderly community services. The Sheriff’s Office operates the county jail corrections facility, and provides court security, communications and civil process, as well as managing the single enhanced 911 Public Safety Dispatch Center for the county. **It’s important to remember that the YCSO is the only county agency that is 24 hours x 7 days a week.**



## Sheriff's Office Budgets

**Reported by: ATS Kerry Brennan**

This fiscal analysis for the year ending December 31, 2014 includes the operational and capital budgets of the Office of the Sheriff, Public Safety Communications, 9-1-1 Communication, Corrections, Court Security, Coroner, STOP-DWI and Animal Control. The County cost of this area increased by 8% or \$631,928 from 2013 to 2014 to a total of \$8,670,290. Salaries, wages and fringe benefits make up approximately 77.4% of the Yates County Sheriff's Office eight budgets. In total, 2014 revenues increased by 47% to a level of \$1,546,792 from 2013's level of \$1,051,570. Since 2006 we have received approximately \$1,921,334 in Federal and State Aid. The net cost to county taxpayers for Sheriff's public safety related services in 2014 was **\$7,123,498**.



## Records Division

**Reported by: ATS Kerry Brennan**

The **Records Division** is responsible for maintaining records such as arrest, incident, supplemental, domestic violence, motor vehicle reports, uniform, traffic tickets and pistol permit applications.

Traffic related accidents totaled 972 in 2014 and 4 were fatal. Uniform traffic tickets issued by road patrol officers totaled 924 in 2014. There were also 53 boating related tickets issued.

In conjunction with the Yates County Clerk's Office, 44 new pistol permits were issued. In addition, 597 pistol permit amendments were handled; 436 duplicates were issued; 20 transfers; and one denied application.

Members of the records division handled 973 FOIL (Freedom of Information Law) Requests. This is an increase of 310 requests from 2012.

Property Reported Stolen in Yates County for 2014 was \$156,708, and recovered property value was \$26,780

Members of Law Enforcement arrested 500 individuals for criminal offenses and 796 charges were filed against them.

## E911 Dispatch

## May 2014 — Yates County Flood

Reported by: Chief Dispatcher Sandra Smith

- At shift change it was business as usual. The first weather related call of wires down at 8:31pm on Italy Hill Rd received. Two dispatchers on duty.
- Supervisor called back to duty as the storm grew in intensity at 10:30pm.
- From 5/13 @ 8pm thru 5/14 @ 7:30am, 183 actual calls for service dispatched and/or called out. This does not include the statistics of actual phone calls and radio traffic received.
- From 5/13 @ 8pm thru 5/16 @ 2pm, Yates County Dispatchers handled 1,467 inbound and 606 outbound phone calls through two storms. This does not include radio traffic and other forms of communication.
- As the water was rising the calls came pouring in; many times there were five lines ringing at any given time. During the course of the night a bulk of the calls received were for highway notifications/road issues and pump details for the many basements taking on water. There were a handful of situations that required a more unique approach.
- Dispatchers reverted to hand written cards to help save time with complaint card entries during high volume call times.
- Communications established directly with fire personnel for lesser priority calls via phone dispatched directly to the firehouse.
- Use of Nixle and the Media to get important information out to the public.
- Communication established with OEM and the Sheriff's Department.
- 911 Staff available and prepared for service.
- Travel advisory issued, Sheriff notified of situation, Office of Emergency Management responded for duty, various Highway Departments, Fire Departments, ENCON, Code Enforcement, Municipal and NYSEG services to name a few.—State of Emergency later issued.
- Sheriff Ron Spike declared special State of Emergency as per Municipal Law.



2014 Incidents	
Law Enforcement	14,995
EMS	2,235
Hardwire 911	2,126
Wireless 911	2,340
Fire	1,765
ALS	917
PHN	93
911 Hang Up	396
Child Prot Wkr	350
Coroner	42
YC Fire Svcs Ancmts	1,201
Hotline	83
<b>Total:</b>	<b>26,543</b>

# Communications Division

## Serious Call Highlights

January 14th – Structure Fire – Swarhout Rd/Torrey  
 January 28th – Structure Fire – Loree Rd/Benton  
 January 30th – Fatal MVA – Car VS 2 Bicyclist – Gravel Run Rd/Barrington  
 February 14th – Structure Fire – Main St/Penn Yan  
 February 14th – Structure Fire – Lakemont Service/Starkey  
 February 17th – Train VS Garbage Truck – Rockhaven Beach Rd/Torrey  
 March 3rd – ATV Accident – Station Rd/Starkey  
 March 8th – Out of County Fire Mutual Aid – Ontario County  
 March 13th – Weather/Snow Storm – Numerous MVA's  
 March 18th – Out of County Fire Mutual Aid – Ovid Block Fire/Seneca County  
 March 22nd – Suicide by gunshot/over cliff – Henderson Rd/Torrey  
 April 2nd – Structure Fire – Ridge Rd/Benton  
 April 5th – Serious Injuries MVA – Bare Hill Rd/Middlesex  
 April 12th – Persons in Water Rescue – E Lake Rd/Barrington  
 April 25th – Structure Fire – Seneca St/Dresden  
 April 27th – Fatal MVA – Italy Hill Rd @ Wetmore Rd/Italy  
**May 13th through May 16th – Yates County Flood**  
 May 31st – Death Investigation – Suicide S&S Parking Lot  
 June 17th – Weather – Trees & Wires down  
 June 27th – Fatal MVA – RT 14a @ Bellona Station Rd/Benton  
 June 28th – Owls Nest (Second Collapse) – Penn Yan  
 July 8th – Dog Stuck in Pipe – Vine Rd @ Skyline/Jerusalem  
 July 8th – Robbery/Weapon – Parish Hill Rd/Italy  
 July 16th – Suicide by Shotgun (2nd attempt successful) – Guyanoga Rd/Jerusalem  
 July 17th – Fatal MVA – RT 14 @ Randalls Crossing Rd/Milo  
 July 24th – Structure Fire – RT 14/Starkey  
 July 28th – Flooding - Middlesex  
 July 30th – 2 Horses Down in the Roadway – Liberty St/Penn Yan  
 August 8th – Persons in Water Rescue – Perry Point Rd/Torrey  
 August 10th – Extensive Foot Pursuit : Suspect Alex Bates - Jerusalem  
 September – Rash of Stolen Check Complaints/Larceny  
 October 25th – ATV Accident – Keech Rd/Jerusalem  
 November 4th – Rail Car Fire – Hamilton St/Penn Yan  
 November 9th – Farm Accident – Man killed in Silo – Quenan Rd/Torrey  
 November 11th – Person in Water Rescue – Sunnyside EXT/Middlesex  
 December 3rd – Structure Fire – Metal Recovery Flat St/Benton  
 December 4th – Structure Fire – Hamm's Nursery Townsend Rd/Milo  
 December 22nd – House Trailer falls on Man – E Sherman Hollow/Jerusalem  
 December 29th – Structure Fire – Toomey Rd/Benton



# Communications Division

## Yates County receives grant for 911 service

*Reported by: Chief Dispatcher Sandra Smith and  
ATS Kerry Brennan*

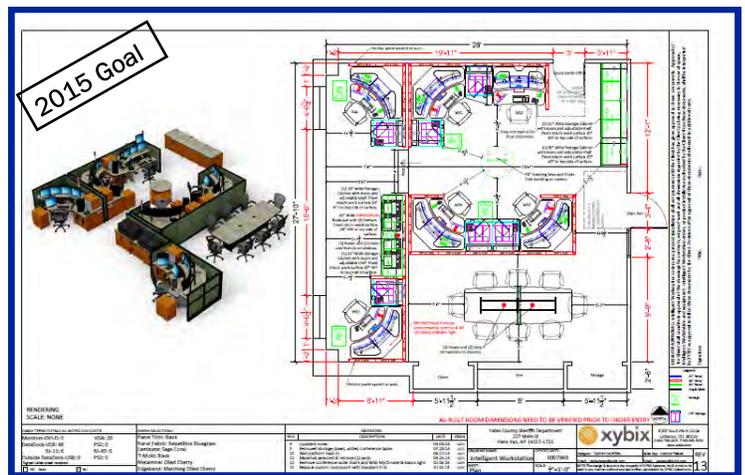
Yates County received \$555,267 from the Department of Homeland Security to facilitate the development, consolidation, and to improve the operations of our public safety answering point. This grant was supported by the Statewide Public Safety Communications Account and consisted of a total of \$9 Million comprising: \$7 Million for PSAP Consolidation, Improvements and Enhancements and \$2 Million PSAP Sustainment. This project will be executed in the following manner:

**CONSOLIDATION** - This proposed project is designed to implement a shared, redundant, NG-911 capable call taking system as a joint venture between the Counties of Yates and Seneca. The consolidated standards-based call taking system will include a logging recorder and dispatch consoles enhancing PSAP capabilities.

The Counties of Yates and Seneca operate independent legacy 911-call taking systems. These systems are not currently redundant and are at the end of their beneficial lifecycle. The proposed project will migrate the stand-alone legacy systems to a sustainable, standards-based call taking platform that will be shared by the Counties. The two County PSAPs will be interconnected to support geo-diverse call-routing of 911 callers by redirecting calls and corresponding data to either PSAP in the event that a facility is compromised. A user-friendly interface with highly configurable management capabilities will enhance 911 call taking, switching, rerouting, recording and dispatch operations,

streamlining overall workflow and call processing.

**SUSTAINMENT** - The primary goal of the project is to safeguard the County's 911-call taking and radio dispatch systems by retaining the solution provider's 24x7 system support and maintenance services, and by maintaining an optimal operating environment for these critical components. Critical PSAP 911 call processing maintenance services for 911 call taking technical systems and the underlying facility environment systems collectively ensure reliable and sustainable PSAP operations. These operational funds are invaluable to sustaining the longevity of our systems and investments, and greatly enhance the operational uptime of the current and future standards-based PSAP center equipment.



## Communications Division

*Reported by: Andy Siwak and ATS Kerry Brennan*

### The Yates County Public Safety Communications Division

under the authority of the Yates County Sheriff Office, is responsible for the maintenance and repair for the departments using two-way radios and related communication equipment. These departments include, but are not limited to, the Yates County Sheriff, Yates County Office of Emergency Management, Emergency Medical Service, and the Yates County Highway Department. Also included are the 911 Dispatch Center located in the Public Safety Building, the Emergency Operations Center located in the basement of the County Office Complex, and nine tower sites located within, and adjacent to, Yates County.

Yates County received \$531,255 from the Department of Homeland Security to address interoperability gaps in Yates County and the Finger Lakes New York Interoperability Communications Consortium (FLNYICC). The purpose of the grant was to facilitate the development, consolidation, and/or improved operation of public safety communications to support and enhance statewide interoperable communications for first responders. The Yates County Sheriff's Office achieved this by:

- Programing all VHF, UHF and 700/800MHz national, regional and state mutual-aid frequencies
- Migrating all low band users to the UHF spectrum and Finalize Narrow banding
- Acquiring multi-band radios for public safety incident commanders and executives
- Hardening existing sites to meet mission-critical standards
- Purchasing a licensed microwave link to create redundancy
- Purchasing critical equipment that impacts the daily communications from car to car and car to dispatch
- Developing Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) and interoperable communications training and regional exercises to govern utilization of equipment above; Share network resource information by populating CASM

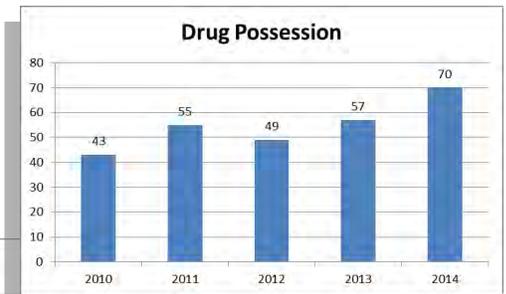
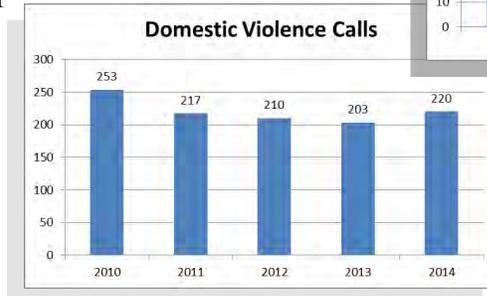


# Law Enforcement Bureau

**Reported by: Lt. Ed Nemitz**

The **Road Patrol Division** is responsible for providing law enforcement services to the citizens and visitors of Yates County. This Division is the most visible unit within the ranks of the Sheriff's Office. Under the supervision of shift Sergeants, Deputy Sheriffs patrol their assigned zones in marked patrol cars. They are responsible for maintaining public peace and order. Their duties include: criminal investigation arrests, accident investigation, community policing, and crime prevention.

## Road Patrol Division



## Civil Division

**Reported by: Lt. Ed Nemitz**

The **Civil Division** of the Yates County Sheriff's Office is responsible for the handling of all civil process received by the agency. This requires much more than just receiving and delivering paperwork. Receiving, docketing, processing, serving, and collecting on summons, court orders, income and property executions, as well as evictions and other court ordered mandates are all part of the daily actions carried out by the Civil Division. In addition, the division provides constant review of civil policies and procedures and daily work to furnish accreditation files with necessary documentation to maintain state accreditation status. Furthermore, a review of bookkeeping records and accounts are handled on a day-to-day basis as part of a smooth and efficient operated Civil Division. The total monies collected for 2014 was **\$422,000.57**.

<b>TOTAL CIVIL PROCESS PAPERS REC'D</b>	<b>645</b>
<b>CIVIL PAPERS RETURNED</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>TOTAL PAPERS SERVED</b>	<b>615</b>
<b>TYPES OF PAPERS SERVED:</b>	
<b>SUMMONS &amp; COMPLAINTS</b>	<b>80</b>
<b>PROPERTY &amp; INCOME EXECUTIONS</b>	<b>179</b>
<b>SUBPOENAS</b>	<b>127</b>
<b>FAMILY COURT SUMMONS</b>	<b>166</b>
<b>EVICIONS</b>	<b>63</b>

Interesting data ....

### Warrant of Evictions

(Yearly Totals)

2012 – 24

2013 – 20

2014 – **63**

**Reported by: Lt. Scott Backer**

**The Criminal Investigation Division (CID)** makes up the investigative services unit of the Sheriff's Office. There is a Lieutenant, and three full-time Investigators assigned to this Division. One of those Investigators is assigned to assist the Department of Social Services with welfare fraud investigations. The officers are responsible for handling felony and serious misdemeanor related crimes. They also follow-up and assist road patrol members with investigations that require substantial time and resources. Some of the crimes handled by this unit include: sales and possession of illegal drugs, burglaries, arson, sexual assaults, fraud and computer crimes, and assisting the Patrol Division as needed. Lt. Scott Backer oversees this division. CID members have received specialized training in such

## Criminal Investigation Division

areas as: arson, homicide, marijuana grow operations, public assistance and welfare fraud, white collar crimes, accident investigation, computer/internet crimes, narcotics enforcement, forensic examination of mobile electronic devices, vehicle crash data recorder examination, crimes against children, and methamphetamine manufacturing. This division is also responsible for crime scene investigations. CID members oversee the collection of property and evidence and are responsible for its storage at the Public Safety Building. They handle fingerprinting and processing of latent prints, photographic and imaging systems. Two members are trained and certified for truth verification using computer voice stress analysis. CID members work

closely with the Monroe County Crime Laboratory and Medical Examiner's Office located in Rochester, New York and investigators in surrounding counties and towns.



## USE ON THE RISE —CHEAP— ~ADDICTIVE~ -DEADLY-

### YATES COUNTY DRUG RELATED HIGHLIGHTS (2014)

- January – 18 yr. old male arrested T/Milo for drugs to two 14 yr. old girls hospitalized.
- January – 17 yr. old female **OD's on prescription opiate** meds.
- February – 19 yr. old PY female violates drug court order and **smuggles heroin into the county jail** concealing it inside her body.
- February – 22 yr. old female from Dundee arrested by Deps. in Benton for **possession of heroin** coming back from Rochester.
- March – 21 yr. old female in PY **overdoses on heroin** taken to S&S hosp.
- March – Three from V/PY ages 22-23 arrested on N. Clinton Ave. in Rochester for **heroin possession**.
- April – 22 yr. old female in Dundee arrested in **poss. of heroin and hypodermic needles**.
- April – 911 call of 50 yr old **OD on heroin** in PY
- April – 2 men, (1) Dundee & (1) PY arrested on N Clinton Ave in Rochester – **poss heroin**.
- April – 20 yr. old male in Jerusalem **OD's on heroin** and taken to S&S Hosp – survives.
- April – Deps. discover 32 yr old female unconscious from **opiate drug overdose** in PY.
- May – 44 yr. old **OD's on opiate drug** meds in T/Barrington.
- May – T/Starkey larceny of jewelry & Deps. charge relative for pawning to buy drugs.
- May – 23 yr. old PY female arrested in Rochester for **possession of heroin**.
- May – PY resident calls PY police when finds **syringe discarded – heroin residue** in it.
- June – 911 gets call of 20 yr. old in Jerusalem barely conscious **overdosed on heroin**. Deps. find **heroin baggies, needles and spoon etc.**
- June - 28 yr. old female v/Dundee arrested by Deps. **possession of opiate** drugs.
- June – 28 yr. old man arrested by Deps. in the T/Milo for **opiate drug** possession.
- August – Deps make traffic stop in Benton & arrest 24 yr. old. K9 finds **90 small micro baggies of heroin** and other drugs. Inv. shows returning to PY from Rochester purchase.
- August – 27 and 35 yr. old men arrested stealing tools at two T/Benton businesses to support **heroin addiction** as motive.
- Sept. – Take Back = 229 lbs of opiates & pills.
- Sept. – 45 yr. old female – Jerusalem **overdoses on heroin and dies** in home. Heroin & other drug paraphernalia found.
- Oct. – **Heroin overdose V/PY** – 22 yr. old man dropped off at hospital parking lot. In ER **administered Narcan** and life saved.
- Oct. – DWAI – Drug arrests (4) by dep. In T/Jerusalem, V/Dundee, T/Milo, T/Benton. **One had heroin in blood**, one combination cocaine & veterinarian deworming med. to cut drug.
- Oct – PYPD arrests 20 yr. old male on felony as search warrant of home finds **242 micro baggies of heroin, needles, etc.**
- Nov. – 911 call – 32 yr. old female **heroin overdose T/Milo** at village limits mobile home park. CPR instruction by 911 dispatcher and **police administered Narcan** and life saved. Deps seized locked box of substances.
- Nov. – NYSDOT find **7 used hypodermic needles** in the grass at the Esperanza parking overlook on Rte. 54-A and Deps. take.
- Nov. – Deps. Make felony arrest 46 yr. old female from Geneva on Rt. 14 in Starkey find **120 micro baggies of heroin** (ten to bindle) under front seat and \$700 cash. Gave false I.D., etc. GJ indicted in December.
- Nov. – Jail **inmate heroin addict** has serious arm infection at injection site and admitted to Geneva Gen. Hosp./Guard.
- Nov. – Deps arrest 53 yr. old female on Hoyt Rd T/Milo - **DWAI-drugs for heroin** and marihuana.
- Dec. – CID arrest 36 yr. old male for **Possession 7th of heroin** regarding the Nov. milo OD call at mobile home park.
- Dec. – Deps make arrest (4) for DWI in T/Italy, T/M-sex, T/Milo and V/PY and all had **possession of drugs** while driving intox.



# Law Enforcement Bureau

## Juvenile Aid Division (JAD)/ DCS Resource Officer



Reported by: Deputy Rick Simpson

The Yates County Sheriff's Office has had a long-standing tradition of dedication and involvement with the youth of Yates County. As a result of those efforts, the Sheriff's Office staffs a **Juvenile Aid Division (JAD)** under the command of the Law Enforcement Bureau within the Sheriff's Office. The primary objective of this unit is to prevent delinquency and provide services that will have a positive impact on juvenile behavior.

In the year 2014 the JAD sent seven kids to the Sheriff's Summer Camp Program on Keuka Lake. The kids were from the Dundee and Penn Yan school districts within Yates County and ranged in age from 9 to 12 years old. This gave the kids an opportunity to spend a week away at camp. The camp is at no cost to the child or their family.



During the year of 2014, JAD was involved in many community and public relations programs. In cooperation with the many service agencies throughout Yates County, it maintained referral services for many youth in need of such service along with their families. In addition, JAD provided many safety and educational programs for youth and adults within the community and schools of Yates County.

During the year of 2014, Juvenile contacts were down from last year by 13; however, mental health arrests were up. There were 13 mental health arrests, 28 Violations, 16 Misdemeanors, and 5 Felonies.

Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) was taught by Deputy Richard L. Simpson in the Dundee Central School district with 63 students graduating. The "Eddie Eagle" gun safety program was also taught at the Dundee school with nearly 190 K-3 grade students participating.

The typical administrative duties of the Juvenile Aid Division are to maintain and control confidential juvenile records. Working closely with the Department of Social Services, Family Court and Probation Services of Yates County, juvenile referrals are managed by JAD.

The Deputy Sheriff / Youth Officer assigned to Juvenile Aid Division is also assigned to serve on several community service organizations. One of these organizations include the Youth Advisory Board. This vital role allows for the Deputy Sheriff to be a liaison between the community and the Sheriff's Office, while providing a critical role with the Sheriff's commitment to community policing.

The Yates County Sheriff's Department SRO (**School Resource Officer's Program**) in conjunction with the Dundee Central School received 291 complaints from January 1, 2014 - December 31, 2014. The complaints included such things as Larceny, Bullying/Harassment, and Criminal Mischief. The School Resource Officer is also involved in presenting numerous programs to the K-12 student population, such as Fatal Vision Goggles for Drivers' Education class, and Bullying/Harassment classes in the Elementary and Jr. High Schools, Operation Safe Child, Gun Safety with the Eddie Eagle program and Bike Safety. The SRO also attends school activities, such as Sporting Events and Dances. SRO responds to homes of students that have missed numerous days of school, to check the student's welfare. On a monthly basis, the Yates County K-9s are brought in to the school to search for Drug paraphernalia.

Incident Type	2013	2014
Detail/ Home visit	77	78
Harassment	7	1
Teaching/ Presentation	27	21
Defiance	142	154
Fighting	2	4
Detail/ Assist	19	14
Larceny/ Theft	4	1
Truancy	0	2
Agg. Harassment	0	1
Bullying	2	3
Threat/ Intimidation	0	0
Drug Possession	4	1
Weapons Possession	2	1
Disorderly Conduct	2	3
Arrest/ Mental Health	4	4
Vehicle Complaint	3	1
Motor Veh Accidents	0	1
Other	0	0
Criminal Mischief	2	0
Trespassing	1	0
Sex Offenses	0	0
Suspicious Incident	2	0
Tobacco	0	0
Assault	1	0
Arrest/ Disorderly	0	0
Drug/ Alcohol Use	1	1
Child Abuse	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>291</b>

**DEFIANCE**



Defiance (yearly totals)	
2014	154
2013	142
2012	64
2011	45
2010	16
2009	30
2008	10



## Law Enforcement Bureau

### Firearms Training Unit

*Reported by: F/Sgt. John Warner*

**Firearms Training Unit** The Firearms unit consists of five members, F/Sgt. John Warner, Sgt. Frank Ryan, Dep. Brandon Jensen, Dep. Brad Conover, and Officer William Bacher, who are required to pass an 80-hour Instructor Development and an 80-hour Firearms Instructor Course to become State Certified Instructors. All instructors are certified S&W pistol armorers. F/Sgt. John Warner and Sgt. Frank Ryan, are certified Colt rifle armorers. Officer William Bacher, is a certified chemical weapons (i.e. Pepper Spray) instructor. While not assigned to the firearms unit, the Sheriff's Office has a state certified instructor, Dep. Chad Betts who specialized in the deployment of "Conductive Energy Devices" (aka Tasers). This unit supervises all agency firearms: training in areas of use of force requirements as mandated by law, review of Federal and State case laws, active response to school shootings, pistol/rifle qualifications, engaging targets while moving, engaging multiple targets, proper use of cover and concealment, malfunction drills, reloading drills, handgun retention drills, and survival drills. Since 2011 deputies are required to pass a qualification



course while wearing protective equipment/tactical body armor and complete a course in "Reality Based Training" using the CAPS system which simulates judgmental scenarios including, but not limited to; active shooter, counter-terrorism, hostage, and barricaded suspects. The use of "Air Soft" technology has also been added to the reality-based training. The firearms unit also performs additional functions. Firearms instructors/armorers inspect/examine illegally possessed handguns, rifles, shotguns, and black powder weapons for function, preparing reports for prosecution. This unit provides instructors for the FLLEA (Finger Lakes Law Enforcement Academy) during the basic school for police officers. In addition, the armorers conduct a maintenance of all department firearms yearly. This maintenance requires the complete disassembly of the firearms followed by a cleaning, inspection for excessive wear or broken parts, replacement of those parts, oiling and reassembly of the firearms, ending with safety and function tests. This process takes about one hour for each pistol and rifle, totaling 86 hours. In 2014, a total of 392 hours were firearms training expended 13,710 rounds of pistol ammunition and 4,540 rounds of rifle ammunition.

*Reported by: F/Sgt. John Warner*

The **Accident Investigation Unit** consists of four members, Lt. Scott Backer, Lt. Edwin Nemitz Jr., F/Sgt. John Warner, and Inv. Jeff Rider, who were required to pass a 120-hour course of instruction consisting of basic, intermediate, technical, and advanced accident investigation to become state certified. A strong background in math (algebra, geometry, trigonometry, kinetic energy) and physics is encouraged. Members of this unit have also received training in the use of the total workstation, commercial vehicle accidents, VERICOM 2000 computer, search warrant preparations, computer based CAD applications, photography, evidence collection, and subpoena preparations to name only a few of the continuing training programs. The total workstation is used for the mapping of accident scenes. The data obtained is then imported to a computer and the information is then converted into a scale diagram. The total workstation can also be used for other applications such as making a scale diagram of damaged vehicles or a crime scene investigation. The VERICOM 2000 computer is used for determining the drag factor (co-efficiency of friction) at an accident scene. The AIU also conducts additional interviews of

### Accident Investigation Unit

witnesses, vehicle operators and passengers, and attends autopsies. This unit will also conduct inspections following an accident in documenting road and terrain features, weather conditions, and vehicle inspections. Vehicle inspections will consist of steering and breaking components, frame condition, headlight/taillight/brake light function, seatbelt use/airbag deployments, tire size/inflation/condition, tire rim condition, and several other areas of a vehicle components. Search warrants are used to remove and analyze the data contained within the EDR (Event Data Recorder), PTM/PTCM (Power Train Control Modular), ACM (Airbag Control Modular), and cell phones. Subpoenas can also be used to obtain cell phone records through the carrier. AIU members also review NHTSA records, vehicle specifications through WINSPEC or vehicle manufacturers, medical reports, Google Earth satellite imagery, and sun position. This unit also works with other agencies such as CVEI (Commercial Vehicle



# Law Enforcement Bureau

## Micro Video & Audio Recorders

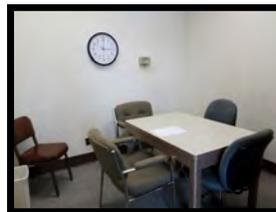
**Reported by: ATs Kerry Brennan**

The **Micro Video and Audio Recorders** are worn by all Law Enforcement staff including the Marine Patrol Unit. The ultra-small design can be used in many recording situations; for example, undercover surveillance or documenting routine traffic stops. The device is worn so that it can assist Law Enforcement with the investigation and prosecution of cases.

## Interview Room

**Reported by: ATs Kerry Brennan**

The YCSO **Interview Room** is equipped with audio and video equipment that is used to capture and record interviews conducted by Law Enforcement.



## Child Safety Seat Report

**Reported by: Sgt Derek Blumbergs**

### Child Safety Seat Report

(January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014)

Seats checked

Seats issued

Vehicles checked

By Appointment	70	69	N/A
Branchport Fire Department 04/26	3	0	3
497 Thistle St Community Event 09/17	12	4	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>4</b>

Requests for information only: 6

## Criminal Warrant Report

**Reported by: F/Sgt. John W. Warner**

### 2014 CRIMINAL WARRANT REPORT

2014 Warrants/Criminal Summons received	143
Pre-2014 Warrants/Criminal Summons active	+87
Sub-total Warrants/Criminal Summons received/active	230
2014 Warrants/Criminal Summons executed/served/withdrawn	129
Pre-2014 Warrants/Criminal Summons executed/served/withdrawn	+30
Sub-total Warrants/Criminal Summons executed/served/withdrawn	159
Sub-total Warrants/Criminal Summons received/active	230
Sub-total Warrants/Criminal Summons executed/served/withdrawn	-159
<b>Total Warrants/Criminal Summons active</b>	<b>71</b>



# Law Enforcement Bureau

## K – 9 Unit

Reported by Deputy Brandon Jensen

**The Yates County K9 Unit** consists of three members: Deputy Brandon Jensen with K9 Kinni (New York State Trainer/Examiner for Patrol-Tracking & Narcotics), Deputy Chad Betts with K9 Hasko (New York State Apprentice Trainer) and Sgt. Randy Schwingle, (Unit Supervisor/Trainer/Examiner. During 2014, the K9 Unit was activated for 86 calls which resulted in 120 actual K9 utilizations. The Unit was unavailable on two occasions, and responded out of county for several K9 school searches.

In March, the Unit received two bullet/stab proof vests for K9s Kinni & Hasko. The unit was awarded the vests in late 2013 from Vested Interest in K9's, an organization whose mission is to provide bullet and stab protective vests and other assistance to dogs of Law Enforcement and related agencies throughout the country, at no cost to the county (the vests, if purchased, are \$950.00 each).

In May, the K9 Unit, along with the NYSSI, hosted its annual K9 Seminar. Over forty K9 teams from 21 agencies attended the five day training. Along with the trainers from throughout the northeast that attend, the unit brought in a highly experienced trainer from Canada for two days. The unit is excited to have this trainer back along with one of his colleagues for the entire 2015 seminar. The attendees were also treated to a day of training at Watkins Glen International along with a ride on the famed track and photos in victory lane.

In July, K9 Kinni located a subject who had fled a residence during an arrest warrant attempt. Subject was taken into custody without incident.

In August, K9 Hasko alerted on a shifting boot inside a vehicle, where multiple bags of heroin were located.

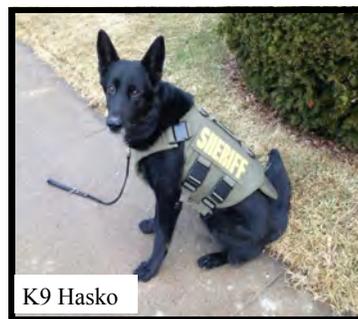
**K9 Unit assisted the following agencies:**

- Penn Yan Police Department 12
- Steuben County Sheriff 6
- Ontario County Sheriff 5
- Schuyler County Sheriff 3
- Horseheads Police Department 2

## Yates County K9 Unit DETECT & PROTECT

**K9 Utilizations**

• Narcotics Searches	74
• Tracks (criminal-16, non-criminal 4)	20
• K9 Demonstrations	16
• Building Searches	7
• Warrants	2
• Article Searches	1
• Training hours	380 hours



K9 Hasko



K9 Kinni

## Marine Patrol & Recreational Unit

Reported by: Sgt Shawn Lamphier

**Marine Patrol & Recreational Unit**

In 2014 the Yates County Sheriff's Marine Patrol conducted law enforcement on three of the Finger Lakes. The division was staffed by eight part-time Officers and one Sergeant. Our mission is to reduce injury, death and property damage associated with recreational boating and to ensure a safe and enjoyable boating environment.



Marine patrol boat and recreational equipment storage continues to be a challenge.

**Our 2014 statistics are as follows:**

HOURS OF LAKE PATROL.....	1,641
MAN-HOURS ABOARD VESSELS.....	887
TOTAL MARINE LE HOURS.....	2,479
TOTAL VESSELS INSPECTED.....	813
NAVIGATION COMPLAINTS.....	180
WARNINGS ISSUED.....	163
ARRESTS/TICKETS.....	53
VESSELS RECOVERED.....	4
VESSELS REPORTED LOST/STOLEN.....	8
ACCIDENTS .....	3
SEARCH AND RESCUES.....	5
STRANDED BOATERS ASSISTED.....	36
BOATER SAFETY CERTIFICATES .....	95

## Law Enforcement Bureau

### Public Assistance Fraud Unit

***Reported by: Inv. Jeffrey Rider***

The purpose of the **Public Assistance Fraud Unit** is to detect/investigate Welfare Fraud and pursue criminal action and/or civil action against those who have fraudulently obtained benefits. Investigators in this unit also conduct Front End Detection investigations to verify the information provided on an application often before any benefits are issued. In 2014, caseworkers referred 58 cases to be investigated. Five people were charged criminally and one case was referred for overpayment with a total fraud amount of \$13,532.50. At this time several cases remain under investigation.

The 12 month cost avoidance amount for the public assistance cases handled in 2014: January \$0, February \$9,282, March \$9,282, April \$9,282, May \$0, June \$9,282, July \$0, August \$0, September \$9,834, October \$0, November \$9,834 and December \$0 for a total avoidance of \$56,796. This cost avoidance amount reflects the amount of benefits that would have been given out to those arrested over the next 12 months had the fraud not been detected.

Investigators assigned to this unit also assist the Department of Social Services Child Protective caseworkers and Adult Protective caseworkers with interviews/investigations of suspected child, elder abuse, and sex offenders.

Investigators assisted caseworkers with 34 cases in 2014. Criminal Investigator Jeffrey Rider currently heads this unit and works out of both the Sheriff's Office and the Department of Social Services.



### Yates County Fire Investigation Team

***Reported by: Inv. Patrick Manahan***

The members of the **Yates County Fire Investigation Team** continue to provide expert services to the 10 local fire departments and continue to protect the citizens throughout Yates County by assisting our local fire chiefs in determining the origin and cause of fires in their respective districts, thus ensuring that all suspicious and incendiary fires are investigated thoroughly, bringing to justice those responsible for the crime of arson.

Throughout 2014, the team was activated to assist the local fire departments on eight different occasions. The activations were for assistance with seven structure fires and one vehicle fire. The amount of financial loss for these fires was in excess of \$256,502. Of the eight fires that were investigated five were determined to be accidental, two were undetermined and one was found to be incendiary in nature. The incendiary fire resulted in a Village of Dundee resident being charged and eventually convicted of arson in the fifth degree.

Objectives achieved during the course of 2014 included nine members of the team attended the 40<sup>th</sup> annual Arson Seminar held in Montour Falls and members of the team were further outfitted and/or updated with equipment.

The law enforcement portion of the team consists of Administrative Officer/Investigator Patrick Manahan,

Lieutenant Clay Rugar, Deputy Richard Simpson, Investigator Jeffrey Rider, Deputy Patrick Breuer, Court Security Officer Derek Christensen and Penn Yan Police Department Officer Michael Donovan. The fire service portion of the team includes Thomas Murphy from the Benton Fire Department, Martin MacKerchar, Todd Schmidl and Ryan Dailey from the Penn Yan Fire Department and Douglas Miller from the Dundee Fire Department.

In 2015, the Yates County Fire Investigation Team is looking forward to replacing a vacant position on the fire service portion of the team, further training for investigators and providing a continuing service to the local fire chiefs and their depart-



# Corrections Bureau

## Yates County Jail

**Reported by: Lt. Clay Rugar**

In 2014, the Yates County Jail had a total of 431 inmates. 374 were admissions and we held 57 pre-arraignment detainees awaiting court appearances. 40 were Yates County arrests and 17 were Penn Yan Police Department arrests. We screened 5,983 visitors entering the jail. All these visits require the presences of at least one officer to monitor. This includes 103 mental health visits and 66 visits from the public health nurse this is in addition to the normal visits from the Jail Physician for sick calls. The jail kitchen serves three meals a day, 365 days a year for a total of 51,212 meals. Some entrées are purchased through the New York State Department of Corrections Cook Chill Program which has reduced our costs.

The corrections staff completed over 705 inmate transports throughout the year. This includes inmate court appearances in local,

county and federal courts as well as medical and dental transports, delivering inmates committed to state prison. Many of these transports contain multiple inmates and take several hours for court appearances, medical appointments and procedures. Many man hours have been spent maintaining security of inmates admitted to the hospital for alcohol/drug withdrawal. We have seen a large increase in the number of inmates exhibiting the signs of alcohol/drugs withdrawal causing us to implement procedures to ensure the health of these inmates.

Yates County Corrections Officers are the Breath Test Operators for the Yates County Sheriff's Office and for the Penn Yan Police Department's DWI arrests. They performed 81 breath tests in 2014. These officers then may have to appear at court hearings, Grand Jury, or at a trial to testify.

During 2014 the Jail Division completed many hours of training including firearms qualifications, use of force training, Naloxone administration training, First Aid, CPR/AED training, Chemical agent, suicide prevention, PREA investigation, Inmate telephone technology, inmate classification and Basic Corrections Officer/Peace Officer School.



Local jail admissions over past 10 yrs (including male/female breakdown)										
2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	
386	396	399	436	484	463	467	453	406	374	
312/74	318/78	326/73	365/71	387/97	391/72	367/100	365/88	326/80	307/67	

TOTAL NUMBER OF LOCAL INMATES PROCESSED:	374
MALE	307
FEMALE	67
NUMBER OF INMATES RECEIVED TO LOCKUP:	57
PYPD	17
YCSO	40
Parole	0
NUMBER OF MEALS SERVED	51,212
Adult Meals	48,355
Minor Meals	2,857
NUMBER OF PUBLIC HEALTH VISITS:	66
NUMBER OF MENTAL HEALTH VISITS:	103
NUMBER OF JAIL NURSE VISITS:	1,266
NUMBER OF INMATE VISITORS:	5,983
2014 REVENUES:	
BOARDING	\$ 262,565
TRANSPORT	\$ 14,579
BREAKFAST/LUNCH	\$ 2,756
FLACRA REIMBURSEMENT	\$ 3,120
INMATE PHONE	\$ 31,032
TOTAL REVENUE	\$314,052

SWEAP			
3 Year Data Comparison			
	2012	2013	2014
Participants	59	46	51
Projects	394	456	503
Man Hrs	2,593.5	2,173	2,393

Community Service		
S.W.E.A.P		
(SHERIFF'S WEEKEND ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM)		
TOTAL:	MALES	41
	FEMALES	10
SENTENCING COURTS & NUMBER SENTENCED:		
	COUNTY	10
	VILLAGE	29
	TOWN	12
YC TREATMENT COURT SANCTIONS		1

COUNTY JAIL	
HIGHEST DAILY POPULATION ON ANY DAY:	62
AVERAGE DAILY POPULATION:	55

# Corrections Bureau

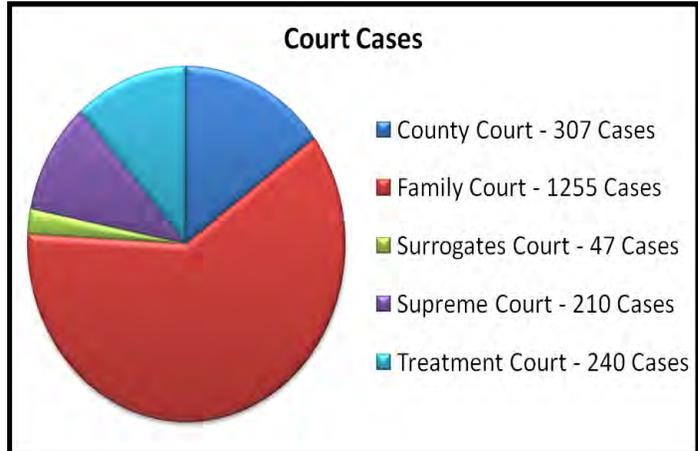
## Court Security Division

**Reported By: Sgt. Randy Schwingle**

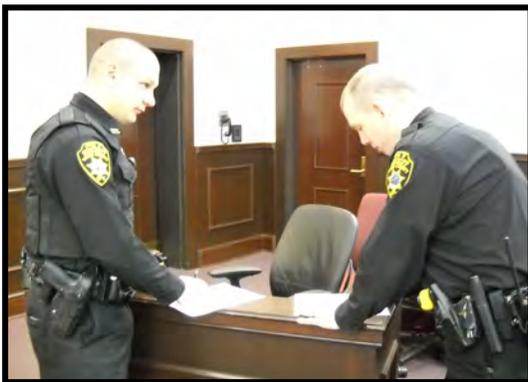
The Yates County Court Security Division is responsible for maintaining safety and security within the Yates County Courthouse. The Courthouse has an integrated control room that monitors 60 plus cameras in the Courthouse and County Office Building. During 2014, Court Security was able to negotiate the funding to receive a fifth full-time Court Security Officer that will be reimbursed by the State.

During 2014, Yates County Court Security provided Security for 2,059 Court Cases. Security Screening was also performed for Matrimonial Screening accounts for another 73 cases. Grand Jury recalls occurred on six days.

During 2014, Yates County Court Security Officers screened 24,589 people entering the Courthouse at the magnetometer station. Court Security Officers also scanned 10,964 items through the x-ray unit. During these screening procedures the 3,301 items listed to the right were secured at the magnetometer station while the individuals were within the facility on court related business.



Types Of Contraband Secured	Amount
Firearms	0
Knives	158
Chemical Agent	1
Razors	15
Scissors	15
Drug Paraphernalia	0
Other - Weapon	22
Other - Contraband (Including Phones)	3090
<b>Total Items Secured</b>	<b>3301</b>



Court Security Officers Bacher and Burden preparing for a Supreme Court Hearing

## YCSO Courthouse Training Room

**Reported by: Sgt Diana McKay**

The YCSO Courthouse Training Room is a class room as well as hands on one-on-one training room. During 2014, the Court Security Division, Road Patrol and Corrections Division conducted numerous hours of training. Some of the training included: CPR/First Aid certification and re-certification, chemical agents re-certification, taser refresher, defensive tactics and initial Narcan certification.



CSO Bacher instructing in the YC Courthouse training room



CSO Burden checking people in for Supreme Court

# Animal Control Division

Reported by: ACO Thomas Morris

## Animal Control Unit

The Animal Control Unit of the Yates County Sheriff's Office continues to be responsible for the handling of all animal complaints, from barking dogs to rabid wildlife as well as everything in between.

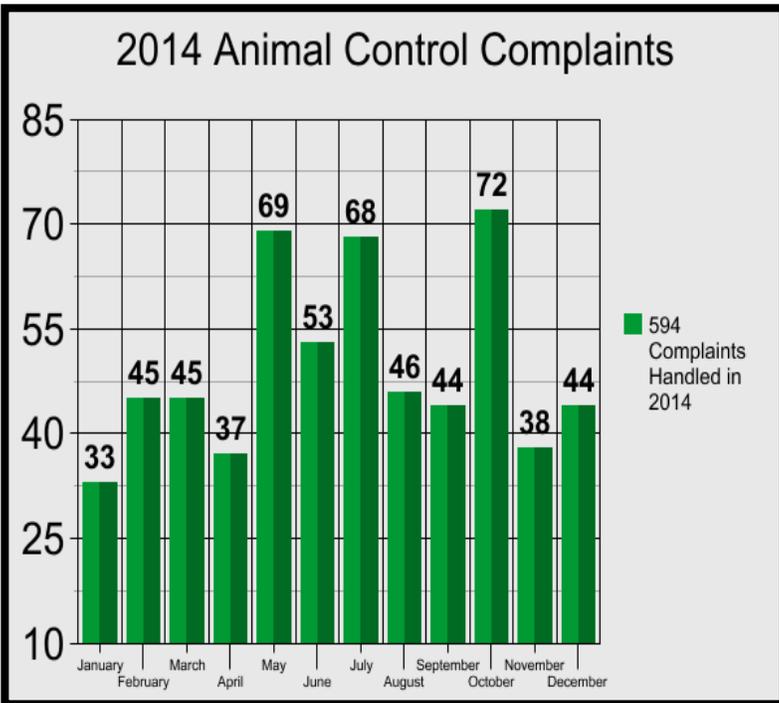
The Animal Control Unit continues to be staffed by one Full-Time Officer and one Part-Time Officer. They are available around the clock/seven days a week, 365 days of the year.



### Major Improvements for the County Dog Pound

County leases the pound from the Humane Society of Yates County. The large roll up garage door was replaced by a standard door and two windows. This helps keep the pound warmer in the winter, cooler in the summer, and it improves ventilation and the overall appearance of the county facility considerably.

**TRAINING:**  
ACO Morris successfully completed Firearms Training & Animal Cruelty Training in 2014



**Reclaiming Fees Collected in 2014:**

- ◆ January—\$25.00
- ◆ February—\$31.00
- ◆ March—\$78.00
- ◆ April—\$58.00
- ◆ May—\$286.00
- ◆ June—\$50.00
- ◆ July—\$53.00
- ◆ August—\$245.50
- ◆ September—\$189.50
- ◆ October—\$298.50
- ◆ November—\$140.00
- ◆ December—\$78.00

**2014 in Review:**

- ◆ Total Complaints—594
- ◆ Total Dogs Impounded—119
- ◆ Total Dogs Redeemed—50
- ◆ Total Dogs Adopted from ACO —9
- ◆ Total Dogs turned over to HSYC for adoption—46
- ◆ Total Dogs Euthanized—8
- ◆ Total Fees Collected—\$1,532.50
- ◆ Total Mileage by Full Time ACO—33,453 miles
- ◆ Total Mileage by Part Time ACO—7,116 miles
- ◆ Total Mileage Combined—40,569



## Fire Prevention & Safety Program



### Reported by: Michael Chapman Fire Prevention & Safety Policy

The safety of all YCSO members is a concern to the Sheriff. The primary objective of the Fire Prevention and Safety Policy is to eliminate or minimize the loss of life and property by fire or explosion. This can be best accomplished if all personnel realized that safety and fire prevention are not exclusively assigned duties, but that all personnel assigned within the Yates County Public Safety Building share in the ultimate responsibility of preventing the start of a fire. As in other Activities, the best and most economical means of caring for the fire problems is to anticipate and prevent its occurrence. Therefore, it is the responsibility of all personnel to familiarize themselves with, and comply with, the requirements as specified within the safety program contained in the Fire Prevention and Safety Policy. This policy is provided for the members' review and compliance.

In November 2014 - the building fire alarm system was tested. The test checked all horns, lights, smoke heads and heat sensors. No discrepancies were found.

#### Types of Accidents

Bite - 1	Contusion - 1	Fall - 1
Laceration - 1	Sprain/Strain - 2	Sting - 1
Total = 7		

### Quarterly Fire & Safety Training

FIRST QUARTER January – March 2014

- 1) Workplace Violence Prevention – LE-6-12
- 2) Sexual Harassment

SECOND QUARTER April – June 2014

- 1) Law Enforcement Bureau - Review of LE-5-03: “Infectious Disease and Disposal of Related Material”
- 2) Corrections Bureau - Review of CB-09-00-04: “HIV and AIDS Relation Information – Confidentiality”
- 3) Administrative Bureau - “Infection Control”

THIRD QUARTER July – September 2014

- 1) Hazardous Materials /MSDS / Right to Know
- 2) Law Enforcement/Corrections Bureaus - Less – Than – Lethal Chemical Aerosol Spray
- 3) Law Enforcement Bureau - ASP Baton Methods and Aids/Conducted Energy Devices In- Service Training

FOURTH QUARTER October – December 2014

- 1) Fire Reporting Procedures / Evacuation Procedures
- 2) Fire Extinguishers **\*\*Possibility of practical training\*\***

### Fire Drills

On July 8, 2014, at about 11:30 am, a fire drill was conducted. 43 inmates were evacuated from the building in approximately 4 minutes and 30 seconds after a mock fire was found in the Yates County Jail kitchen. Yates County Deputies and Penn Yan Police Officers responded and secured the perimeter. Brian Winslow, the Director of Emergency Management, assisted with the fire drill.

On September 13, 2014, at about 10:00 am, the fire alarm sounded for a drill. A mock fire was located in the basement and 48 inmates were evacuated in about 3 minutes and 30 seconds. Yates County Deputies assisted with the drill. The PYPD was unable to participate as their patrols were on a previously scheduled detail.

On December 27, 2014, a mock fire was located in the laundry room. At about 8:25 am, 49 inmates were evacuated to the rec yards in approximately 4 minutes. YCSO Deputies and PYPD Officers responded and assisted with the drill.



**YCPSB Fire Alarm -**  
**On Sunday December 21,**  
**2014, at about 9:04PM,**  
**the building fire**  
**alarm was activated**  
**for smoke in the building.**  
**The Penn Yan FD and Yates**  
**County Fire Coordinator were**  
**dispatched and arrived on**  
**scene in 2 minutes. The**  
**source of the smoke was from**  
**burnt food, which had**  
**cleared and the FD was able**  
**to return to**  
**service.**



*S.T.O.P.*

COUNTY OF YATES

**SPECIAL TRAFFIC OPTIONS PROGRAM**

2014 ANNUAL SUMMARY

Commissioner Regulations Section 172.7  
2014 Activities Summary to GTSC



The 2014 operating budget was established at \$98,475 and spending for the year was over the budgeted amount due to a replacement vehicle for the Penn Yan Police whose STOP enforcement car was in a motor vehicle accident. Thus, spent was \$106,423.24 and the additional came from the STOP reserve fund. The balance in the DWI reserve account was \$89, on December 31, 2014. The program supports the budgets of the Sheriff, Penn Yan Police, Probation, District Attorney, Victims Impact Panel, other misc. funding including courts when required; law enforcement, supporting patrol and court overtime for arresting officers and for the Breath Test Operators, as well as maintenance and equipment; direct services for rehabilitation and school based counseling, etc; education, prevention and advertising as well as administrative related costs. All activities and budget must be approved by and are reported to the Governor’s Traffic Safety Committee (GTSC) which is a division of the NYS Department of Motor Vehicles in Albany, NY. All funding is from violator fines paid through the courts and not from county property tax payers. Thus, the budget supports itself and reduces county and local budget expenses in specific areas. A local advisory panel exists when needed and relates to the Traffic Safety Board chaired by the Sheriff. County wide arrests in 2014 were up over 2013 and totaled 112. There were no DWI fatal accidents. The STOP programs highlighted goal for 2014 was to continue a Task Force for the continuation of the Drunk/Impaired Driving Victim Impact Panel (DID-VIP) for violators to experience the affect DWI has on victims, families, and the community. The goal was to expand the lecture to area high school drivers and we did this. This did occur as the 12th and 13th DID-VIP was held at the County Office Bldg auditorium in March and September with attendance all totaling 63 for the year. Additionally, our patrols increased the number of Sobriety Check points and the arrests increased. We have seen an increase in the number of individuals operating a motor vehicle under the impairment of drugs. We have found that the Sheriff’s Office, obtaining a fully trained DRE deputy in 2014, that the services were used by all law enforcement agencies. The majority of arrests also involved possession of marihuana or possession of heroin bundles within the vehicle. We realized that heroin is an increasing problem and have joined in a community coalition to make awareness, education, and treatment a community issue. We erected a public education Driving Drugged billboard near year’s end. 2015 goals highlighted will increase patrol OT for selected statewide holiday dates, initiate ARIDE training for police and deputies, and continue the VIP awareness into area schools.

**TEN YEAR COUNTYWIDE DWI ARREST HISTORY**

2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
114	96	94	84	122	100	102	123	96	112

Respectfully submitted  
*Ron Spike, Coordinator*



# 2015 YCSO Goals

## Yates County Sheriff's Office

Penn Yan, New York 14527

Our primary goal is to meet our Mission Statement in every way and to protect the citizens of Yates County and preserve the quality of life with which our county has been blessed. We do so by progressive professional public safety in law enforcement and administrative practices for each tax dollar entrusted. It is our responsibility to not only enforce the law, but to deter criminal activities through patrols, criminal investigation, corrections, court security, public safety communications, civil process, and collaboration with other entities. This proactive approach to public safety results in lower crime rates as exemplified by the reduced number of burglaries and higher arrests for quality of life issues which bolster community policing practices and conserve peace in the communities.

Q = Target Time Quarter - \* = All

### ***CRIME PREVENTION, SAFETY, LAW ENFORCEMENT***

#### **GOAL: Make citizens more resistant to crime and ensure the safest environment.**

- Objective: \*Q -Reduce drug use by continued narcotic investigations/arrests, especially heroin/opiates.
- Objective: 2Q -Implement the BEAST evidence management system for tracking property/evidence.
- Objective: 2Q -Purchase/train on universal forensic extraction device addressing cybercrime equipment.
- Objective: \*Q -Reduce recidivism and reoffending in the community from jail inmate releases via TJCI.
- Objective: \*Q- Continuation of SWEAP details and increase work sites to reduce week-end sentences.
- Objective: 1Q -Development of a system of best practices for dissemination of drug intelligence to patrols.
- Objective: 1Q -Maintain relationship with National Safety Institute for CPR training cost efficiencies.
- Objective: \*Q -Ensure the safety, education and welfare of our youth/elderly and continue CPS program.
- Objective: 2Q -Training of Personnel, especially in crime scene evidence and cross train on special systems.
- Objective: 2/3Q -Maintain accreditation standards for successful LE and jail reaccreditation by NYS.

### ***TRAFFIC AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLES SAFETY***

#### **GOAL: Make the roadways and waterways of Yates County as safe as possible.**

- Objective: 3Q -Provide traffic safety to driver's education students, VIP, and bicycle safety to Mennonites.
- Objective: \*Q -Enforcement of vehicle and traffic violation laws, rules and regulations.
- Objective: \*Q -Prevent and reduce traffic crashes and injuries via increased LPR's and pin mapping.
- Objective: 2Q -Appoint two current deputies for bicycle patrol training replacing older officers.
- Objective: 2/3Q -Promote marine boaters safety via education and enforcement collaborating with KLA, etc.
- Objective: 2Q -Training personnel - supervision, night firearms, ARIDE, Rec. vehicles, & horse/buggy MVA's.
- Objective: \*Q -Maintenance of grants and maintain accreditation standards and policies up to date.

### ***COMMUNICATIONS***

#### **GOAL: Facilitate/improve internal and external oral and wireless communications.**

- a. Objective: 1Q -Transition into new 9-1-1 Communications Center, fully updated equipment and trained ESD.
- b. Objective: 1Q -Work with B&G to create new Communications IT data room in PSB for dispatch, etc. support.
- c. Objective: 2Q -Install updated Modems and Net motion technology to enhance AVL/GPS in patrol cars.
- d. Objective: 2Q -Transition from Parish to Shay towers and address interoperability and cost of lease savings.
- e. Objective: 2Q -Make grant application for PSAP upgrades working with YC IT dept. and vendors.
- f. Objective: \*Q -Maintain full staffing of dispatchers, training hours and accreditation standards.
- g. Objective: 3Q -Implement NG911 standards of operation including Text to 911, and text to FD's, etc.
- h. Objective: 2Q -Finalize implementation of all new portable and mobile radios for countywide PS agencies.
- i. Objective: 4Q -Implement a new 9-1-1 telephone system with Seneca Co. partnership & back-up policies.
- j. Objective: 2Q -Upgrade via grant funds the V/PY game well alarms system to contemporary digital equip.

### ***PROFESSIONAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT***

#### **GOAL: Manage resources and personnel to optimize efficient and effective services.**

- a. Objective: 2Q -Fully implement county Munis Purchase Order system which will enhance YCSO's.
- b. Objective: 3Q -Rebuild the readiness of the USRT via a dive master and enhance side scan sonar training.
- c. Objective: 2Q -Reduce costs where applicable, especially jail pharmaceuticals, inmate transports, and jail OT.
- d. Objective: \*Q -Maintain using Affordable Care Act rules for Medicaid eligible inmates and reduce costs.
- e. Objective: 2Q -Replace outdated desktop computers still on XP systems with upgraded windows versions.
- f. Objective: 3/4 Q -Train all YCSO firearm members in judgmental shooting via the CAPS system.
- g. Objective: 2Q -Reduce supervisor's time on new county time clock system demands and approvals.
- h. Objective: \*Q -Collaborate with other inter, intra and community agencies for optimizing efficiencies.
- i. Objective: 2Q -Compliance with new federal PREA standards as best we can to reduce liabilities.
- j. Objective: 2/3Q -Improve inventory process, cross train civil staff, quick books, and create instructional guides.

# Service Awards

The County of Yates  
issued 2014 Employee Recognition awards to  
the following YCSO members in a ceremony  
January 2015 at the Legislative Chambers



Back L to R: Undersheriff Jack Gleason,  
CO Judy Hoover, Lt Edwin Nemitz,  
Sheriff Ron Spike, CO Derek Christensen,  
Chief Dispatcher Sandy Smith, and  
Inv Arlyn Cunningham

Front L to R: Court Security Officer Pam  
Housel, and CO Jill Emerson

**-25 years -**

Sandra Smith  
Alan Mack

**-20 years -**

Edwin Nemitz  
Judy Hoover  
Jill Emerson

**-15 years -**

Lindsay Tones  
Pamela Housel  
Neil Freeland

**-10 years -**

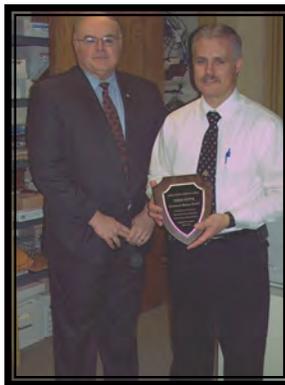
Arlyn Cunningham  
Bonnie Clawson  
Chad Betts

**-5 years -**

Erica Verdehem  
Daniel Davis  
Derek Christensen



Sheriff Ron Spike and Lt Scott  
Backer presented Inv Patrick  
Manahan with his 20th year award



Sheriff Ron Spike  
presented Lt Todd Sotir  
with his 29th year  
award on the job



Sheriff Ron Spike  
presented CO Christine  
DiRisio with her 23rd year  
award on the job

# In Recognition



Sheriff Ron Spike presented recognition awards to Deputy Brad Cole and Deputy Steven Quayle for life saving actions that they took on November 5, 2014 in saving a 15 year old girl.



Lt Todd Sotir was the 2014 Officer of the Year and received the American Legion award



Sheriff Spike and Lt Nemitz presented Deputy Kevin Crofoot with the Most Civil Process Served Award



2014 FLLEA  
Basic Police School graduation  
L to R: Deputy Chris Hansen, Deputy Kevin Campbell, Deputy Steven Quayle and Sheriff Ron Spike



Edda Garcia Martinez  
Corrections School Graduation  
L to R: Wayne County CO Sgt Richard Morrison , CO Edda Garcia Martinez, and CO Sgt Chad Gridley



EMS Coordinator Christine Warriner presented Chief Dispatcher Sandra Smith and SED Dusty Blumberg of E911 with the Penn Yan Ambulance Community service award on May 3, 2014



VIP Task Force presented DWI-VIP speaker Peggy Heichel from NYS MADD Chapter with the NYS Award on April 16, 2014



Chief Dispatcher Sandra Smith has received the 2014 NYS Emergency Communicator of the Year Award

# IN THE NEWS

Yates County Sheriff's Office  
Not Allowing Motorized Boats on Keuka Lake

Yates County K-9s will receive  
protective vests

Two Dundee teenagers arrested & charged in  
connection to burglaries in Himrod, Dundee  
& Tyrone

Deadly crash in Himrod

Penn Yan man injured in motorcycle accident  
in Town of Milo

Yates County deputies: Two broke into,  
stole from storage units—Village of  
Dundee

Deputies: Man had blood on hands,  
clothing—Town of Middlesex

Yates County Man sentenced to 16  
years in prison for abusing a child

Deadly Crash in Town of Milo—Yates County  
Woman is dead after a woman driving drunk  
crashed into a car she was riding in

Undocumented immigrant killed in  
Yates farm mishap

Benton business burglars  
caught—3 Men

Yates County Deputies: Faulty Heater  
Caused Fire—Town of Bellona

Rochester Man killed in Yates County  
Crash—Route 14A, Town on Benton

Mercy Flight Needed in Yates County  
Crash—One car crash on Bare Hill Rd,  
Middlesex

Yates County Man Accused of Sexually  
Abusing A Less than 13 Year old Child  
over Three Year Span

Deputies: Yates County woman gave  
felon a rifle for hunting

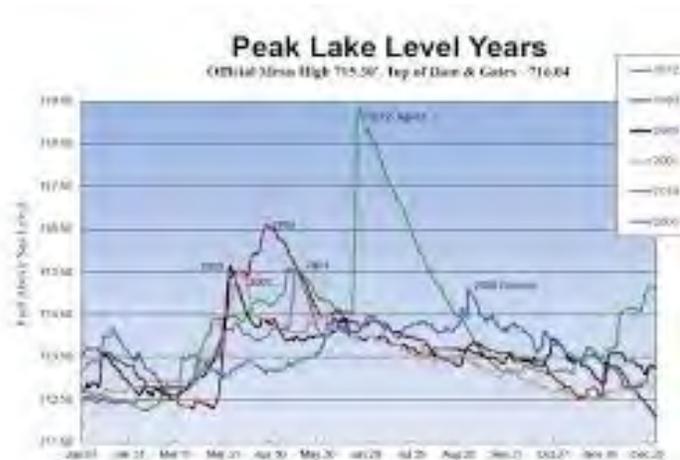
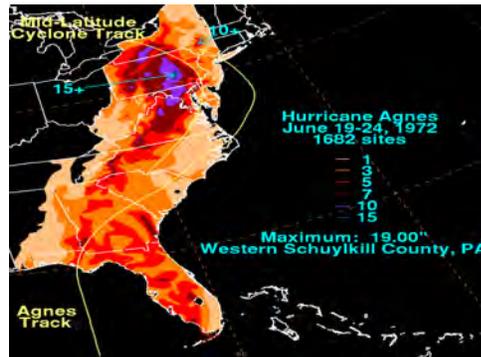
House Fire on East Lake Rd, PY—Resulted  
in loss of two houses

Gov. Andrew Cuomo issued a state of  
emergency for Yates County, which will  
allow communities devastated by flooding  
and storm damage, including Penn Yan, to  
receive state aid and assistance. Early  
Tuesday, Yates County Sheriff Ron Spike  
also declared a State of Emergency.

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### 1972 FLOODING

In June of 1972, Hurricane Agnes was at the time the most costly storm system to hit the USA and Yates County felt its continuous rain, flooding many areas especially the Keuka Lake area. The hurricane entered the USA from the Caribbean and then regenerated itself as a tropical storm emulating a “nor’easter cyclone” and the rains came for days. It was reported to be several inches of rain falling here with the maximum of 19” of rain in western Pennsylvania. Keuka Lake was at least three feet above normal stage causing lots of damage to docks and shoreline areas. A motor ban was enacted by the Sheriff on the lakes due to boat wakes causing damages. The 1972 Keuka Lake level (below) shows peak.



### 2014 FLOODING.....42 years later!

#### Special State of Emergency Aftermath YCSO Report of Sheriff

During the early evening of Tuesday, May 13, 2014 rain began falling in the county. The rain and wind gained and strengthened. YCSO 911 Center received its first related storm call at 8:30PM of Wires Down on the Italy Hill Road West of Branchport, NY. By 10PM the storm had intensified greatly, especially for a four mile band going Northeasterly from Branchport to just North West side of Penn Yan. This resulted in 5.5 to 6” of rain in the band and 3.5 to 4” of rain near it. **Due to multiple flooding and storm related calls the Sheriff, I declared a “special” State of Emergency (SSOE) at 6AM May 14.** I notified Governor Cuomo’s legal counsel of the declaration as required in Section 209-f of the General Municipal Law.

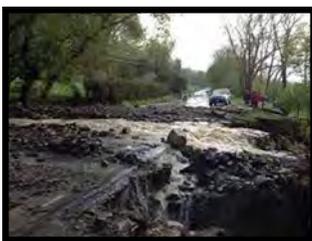
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Many roads especially in the town of Jerusalem were closed and impassable along with streams overflowing and dozens of culvert pipes out. At 10AM Board Chairman Tim Dennis declared a "State of Emergency (SOE)." This was followed by the Village of Penn Yan Mayor and the Town of Jerusalem Supervisor making similar declarations. The Office of Emergency Management was engaged fully with Director Brian Winslow and staff. The Sheriff and the OEM Director met regularly throughout.

The SOE delegated parts of areas that have been damaged and affected by the flooding and thunderstorm that produced unprecedented rains in Yates County.

Governor Cuomo declared a State of Emergency for parts affected in Yates County at 12:25PM on May 14. This allowed for more efficient access to outside, state and federal resources, etc. where needed. State agencies commenced to assemble at the OEM.

In the Village of Penn Yan portions of Elm Street, Seneca Street, Basin St, and Champlin Ave remain closed to all traffic. Residents and businesses were flooded out of dwellings and buildings. Extensive roadway damage existed in county and village. The former Owls Nest community Center, a large building which collapsed near the buckled parking lot of Basin Street, had to commence the process of being torn down completely for everyone's safety. Highway and street department crews for the village of Penn Yan, all townships, and the County and State Highway Depts. have worked tirelessly all day opening roads from debris and repairing driveway culvert pipes. The Village of Penn Yan Municipal reports that the village sewer system has operated without trouble throughout the storm. The Office of Emergency Management was coordinating damage assessments, critical infrastructure concerns, decontamination, and first responder needs, etc. Many people were forced from their homes due to flash flooding. The temporary emergency American Red Cross housing shelter at the school was established. The YC Public Health issued safety related information. The State Office of Emergency Management, State Fire, and State Police assisted local authorities. Many local businesses and volunteers were helping and donating food to responders, etc.



Water did enter the basement of the Yates County jail in the mechanical room and in the inmate dorm area. Inmates were moved to second floor and county maintenance addressed the water issue. A lot of clean-up and erosion was handed to us from Jacobs Brook and parts of the outer security fence have been exposed.

Officials were concerned regarding the forecasts predicting itinerant storms the next days ahead and a possible major rain storm for Friday which could worsen conditions and affected areas already repaired. Sheriff issued a Boaters' advisory for all three lakes, especially Keuka Lake rising rapidly which has tree trunks, limbs, docks and other debris floating in the lake endangering boaters and shoreline owners.

Many first responders, deputies, police, and dispatchers, and highway crews went 24 hours without sleep. Deputies took many photographs of damaged public areas.

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Director Winslow established Emergency Operating Center meetings daily at the Penn Yan Village Hall for all stakeholders in the response for crucial communications and coordinated response efforts. These proved to be valuable for everyone's information.

The State of Emergency remained in effect in parts of Yates County since Wednesday's flooding and destruction. A new rain storm that commenced at 3:15AM Friday morning (May 16) caused creeks and streams to rise once again in many of the previously affected areas. A flash flood warning was in effect due to this new storm and County Road 29 (Guyanoga Valley Road) was closed back down near Branchport, NY by County Highway Dept. due to flooding conditions. Several other town and county roads flooded again as well as parts of two state highways, Rte 364 and 245.

Sheriff's Traveler's advisory for roadways and Keuka Lake remained in effect. The Nixle system as well as the hyper reach system was used by 911 dispatch for the community notifications. The lake was about nearly two feet above its norm with this new storm. The lake had much debris floating in it from the storm. Drivers were cautioned that they may come upon barricades or roads that are only one lane so caution was advised. Several Nixle's and news releases were put out by YCSO and others. Penn Yan School was closed May 14 and 15 for students/faculty, but not for the staff on May 16. This gave Supt Hamilton some breathing room regarding state aid.

During the first storm there luckily were no EMS calls, however for this storm dispatchers were on overload at 7AM and calls continued and extra ESD's called in. At one point, we had multiple flooding calls, a woman was having a stroke and pre-arrival instructions were being given by a dispatcher and at the same time a man barricaded himself in a home in Barrington with weapons. Deputies got the family and children out and a Sheriff's investigator negotiated the man out safely where two troopers backing him up took him into custody. A busy period of time it was with multiple issues going on.

Steady hard work by State, County Highway, Town Highway, and Village of Penn Yan Municipal crews mitigated or temporarily repaired many roads, streets, culverts and driveways. Seven town roads remain closed from Wednesday's storm on Friday; including the Guyanoga Rd (CO Rd#29). Supt. Dave Hartman was steadfast through the response.

The Village of Penn Yan had some streets with water flowing Friday AM and the ARC of Yates facility on North Ave experienced flooding and sandbagging had to be commenced for that location. Inmates from the Yates County Jail filled over 800 sandbags on Thursday and continued that effort Friday. Penn Yan Police did make two arrests of persistent trespass violators of barricaded areas near the Elm Street flood destruction overnight.

The Office of Emergency Management (OEM) advised not to drive your vehicle into areas where the water is covering a roadway as the water depth may be too great to allow a vehicle to safely operate.

The Living Well in Penn Yan continued to coordinate volunteers and the American Red Cross temporary shelter at the PY High School continued to operate for some whose homes are no longer habitable. OEM advises that NYS-DART teams made 228 home inspections in Penn Yan since Wednesday and 26 in the town of Jerusalem. Eleven homes in the Village of Penn Yan were classified severely damaged and three in Jerusalem. YC Public Health and Yates-Steuben Pro-Action provided much assistance. Yates County Soil and Water have been of great assistance

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in assessments, especially for agriculture. The State of New York via the DOT, SP's, and Emergency Management are providing added resources to address numerous issues. The Lt. Governor Duffy visited some of the flood stricken areas.

The new storm gave steady rain most of the day on Friday. Once again the State of Emergency remained in effect as did the Travelers' advisory for the affected areas, especially the Town of Jerusalem and extra Sheriff's Deputies and PY Police aided by extra Troopers and additional 911 Dispatchers were called to duty.

On Monday May 19, a community meeting was held at the PY Middle School by local businessman Jeff Gifford of Birkett Mills who is leading the community in obtaining assessment information for damages. Speakers included the Mayor and OEM Director and a representative from the NYSHS who was limited in information.

On Wednesday, May 21, 2014 the (SOE) continued in parts of Yates County especially parts of Keuka, Seneca and Canandaigua Lakes in Yates County (65 miles of lake shore). All due to heavy rain falls and flooding.

Keuka Lake was the highest above norm having peaked at 715.8 on May 16. A "no wake" (5mph) order was put into effect at the time. The normal height for this time of year would be 714.2. Although boat traffic was minimal many boaters, especially from out of the region, i.e. Pennsylvania bass boats have not heeded the "no wake" rule and two concerns remained, (1) the amount of floating debris in the lakes of dock parts, trees, and other obstructions is dangerous to boaters, (2) the many docks that remain under water being further damaged by boat wakes. Thus a life and property safety issue is concerning.



As a part of the declared County Special and State of Emergency, Sheriff ordered in the interest of public safety no motorized boat traffic on Keuka Lake until the lake's height recedes more. Sheriff's Marine Patrol enforced the ban and violators could be charged with disorderly conduct. Public boat launching sites at Penn Yan, State Park and Branchport were closed (posted by deputies) to motorized vessel launches and marinas were also advised. Should there be an "exigent" circumstance requiring an exception consideration people were asked to please call the Sheriff's office at 315-536-4438. The 5 mph boating rule still applied to Canandaigua and Seneca Lakes.

After some itinerant rain showers especially affecting Canandaigua Lake as a part of the declared special and state of emergency – Ontario County Sheriff Phil Povero had declared a Special State of Emergency supported by Sheriff Spike in the interest of public safety ordering no motorized boating on the navigable waters of Canandaigua Lake until further notice effective 8am on May 23.

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The amount of floating debris in the lake of dock parts, trees, stumps, hidden objects, and other obstructions is dangerous to boaters, and the many docks that remain under water being further damaged by boat wakes including soil erosion concerns. Thus a life and property safety issue is concerning. Yates Co Highway Dept assisted deputies in barricading launch sites at Vine Valley, West River, and Woodville.

On May 23 the Lt. Governor Duffy was in PY with other state officials and announced Governor Andrew M. Cuomo's new round of immediate state disaster recovery assistance to help residents and business owners who incurred damage from last week's flash flooding that severely damaged nearly 150 homes in Yates County in the villages of Branchport, Penn Yan, and Dresden, and the towns of Jerusalem and Italy.

In the immediate wake of these most recent floods, the Governor deployed disaster assistance recovery units and insurance specialists to Yates County to help victims navigate issues with their insurance companies, so that they can properly claim and receive whatever payments they are entitled to under the terms of their insurance policy. Disaster Recovery Assistance staff helped residents and businesses complete applications at Penn Yan Fire Dept., 125 Elm Street, Penn Yan, 14527, on Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> from 12:00 pm to 7:00 pm; and on Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Being made available was up to \$10,000 in disaster assistance for affected homeowners and renters struggling to recover, and as much as \$25,000 in recovery funds for small businesses. This new state disaster program provided emergency disaster funds where it was needed most, as supplemental assistance to start recovery for victims who were uninsured or under-insured and filled gaps in recovery assistance.

The Yates County Disaster Recovery Assistance Program is being coordinated through New York State Homes and Community Renewal (HCR), the Department of Financial Services (DFS) and the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES).

The ban on Canandaigua Lake was lifted mid-day on May 27.

On May 28, 2014 - Effective noon (Wednesday) Keuka Lake motorized vessel ban was lifted and launch sites opened.

The Lake's height is 714ft 6" and the level was 714 ft 2" prior to the storms. At this time all six municipal control gates remained wide open at the Keuka Outlet in Penn Yan discharging water out of the lake.

The lake peaked at a height of nearly 715ft 8" due to two heavy rain storms and flooding on May 16 prompting as a part of the Special State of Emergency limitations on boat traffic wakes due to floating trees and hidden other debris and damage to shoreline erosion with docks under water causing life safety and property concerns.

The NYS marker and navigation buoys that were disturbed by the storms and flooding have been replaced. Sheriff's Marine Patrols and others have removed many trees some as long as forty feet, wood, stumps, brush, and wooden dock boards from the lake. One tree obstruction remains in the North end of the West branch near the NYS State Park. There are some locations where creeks have deposited stones and gravel into the lake causing mini islands off shore that boaters need to be aware of, and also as the water recedes other obstructions, i.e. trees may appear.

Boaters were still cautioned to be observant of debris that could be a hazard to navigation for safety. A reminder that it's the NYS Navigation Law on Keuka and Canandaigua Lakes to be no more

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than 5 mph within 200 feet of shore. This will be strictly enforced by Marine Patrol units. Any hidden obstructions are likely to be inside that two hundred feet area. Steuben Co. Sheriff David Cole lifts the ban for Keuka Lake in Steuben County concurrently.

5/28/14 – Noon - ALL LAKES (Keuka, Canandaigua, Seneca) – Motorized vessel ban or restricted speeds lifted.

The following email was sent by Sheriff Spike to the Governor’s Office – special counsel:

Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2014 9:53 AM

To: 'John Czajka'

Cc: 'Cole, David'

Subject: Keuka Lake (Special state of Emergency - Yates Co)

John:

As a follow-up I previously notified you (for Governor Cuomo) May 16 that I declared a “special state of emergency” for parts of Yates County including its three finger lakes, especially Keuka Lake. Take note that pursuant to General Municipal Law 209-f, the “special state of emergency” is terminated effective 12 noon today prohibiting motorized boat traffic on Keuka Lake, and other vehicle traffic on public highways and dwellings/bldgs. closed by flooding, etc. Steuben County Sheriff David Cole joins in this notification as it applies to Keuka Lake in his county. However, in the interest of public safety, the Yates and Steuben County Offices of Sheriff will continue to monitor conditions on Keuka Lake via our Marine Patrol Units, especially for hazards to navigation safety. Thank you *Ronald G. Spike* Sheriff of Yates County, NY.

From May 13, 2014 evening of the first 8:30PM call through May 16, 2014 the Yates County 911 Communications Center’s call activity was as follows.....Also note this only takes into account the telephone traffic and not the radio communications from police, fire and EMS units, etc. or other activity.

### **YCSO 911 CALL CENTER STORM OVERVIEW** **APPROX. 3 DAY PERIOD**

From 1st call 5/13 to EOD 5/16 - 75.5 hours

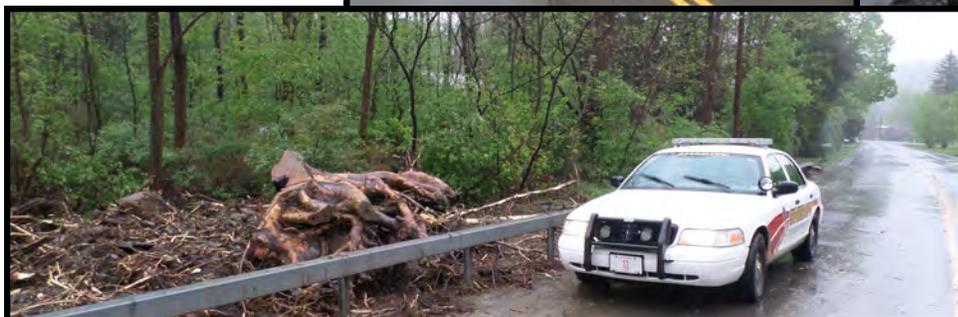
<b><u>CALL TYPE</u></b>	<b><u>INBOUND</u></b>	<b><u>COUNT</u></b>
911 / 4438		
Total Inbound	1,467	
By land line		1,222
By wireless		245
Total Outbound	606	
<b>ALL CALLS</b>	<b>2,073</b>	

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I want to thank the men and women of the YCSO for their dedicated duty during the storms' impact in our response to storm and police calls and related activity and our recovery efforts. We activated our emergency mobilization plans and related general orders for emergencies. We have documented our extra hours and storm related impacts to our budget. I would especially thank Brian Winslow and his team at OEM, the deputy FC's and all for their engagement, decisions and coordination. I thank Dave Hartman and his crew for all their hard work and assistance. I especially also recognize the work by Police Chief Hulse and his officers and especially by Brent Bodine and crew for the village. I thank Deb Minor for her public health support. The work done by DSS and Soil and Water was wonderful. The work coordinating volunteers by Jeff Gifford of the Birkett Mills and especially by Sandi Pearl of the Living Well is to be commended. Keuka Housing stepping up was also great. I thank the support of county government leaders, especially Chairman Dennis and Administrator Purdy, as well as state, village and town leaders. I thank the support of the Keuka Lake Association board. Also Lt. Governor Duffy's presence made a difference. All the first responders, fire department personnel, state workers, state OEM, state fire, state police and all the volunteers in this great community who have shown their selfless acts of goodwill in helping others truly shows the great community we live in. This community is resilient and has perseverance. There are so many to thank and likely I have missed several. Although the damage is estimated at this time at over \$6 Million countywide, we continue to finalize the recovery efforts and the SSOE and the county SOE winds down to just administrative. We know we have a ways to go but at this time there was a light at the end of the tunnel and it is not a "major storm" train.

*Sheriff Ron Spike*

May 29, 2014





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Effective 3/31/15



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Undersheriff John Gleason

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Sgt Derek Blumbergs  
Sgt Shawn Lamphier  
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Dep Chad Betts/ K-9 Hasko  
Dep Charles Emerson  
Dep Bradley Cole  
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Dep Brad Conover  
Dep Kevin Campbell  
Dep Chris Hansen  
Dep Steven Quayle  
Dep Chad Daggett/ In Training  
Dep Derek Chisom/ In Training  
PT Dep Brian Winslow/ FIT  
PT Dep Brad Quayle/ USRT/ MPU  
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PT Cook Phyllis Hamm  
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Sr. Communications Mech

Andy Siwak

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