

BEDFORD POLICE



Annual Report
2012



MISSION STATEMENT

We, the members of the Bedford Police Department, are committed to being responsive to our community in the delivery of quality services. Recognizing our responsibility to maintain order, while affording dignity and respect to every individual, our objective is to improve the quality of life through a community partnership, which promotes safe, secure neighborhoods.



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Uniform Police Personnel
Nancy Hovan

Chief of Police..... Gregory A. Duber

Deputy Chief..... Kris Nietert

Lieutenants..... Ron Niemann

Sergeants..... Rick Suts
Martin Stemple
Ed Mementowski
Mike Stask

Patrolmen..... Robert Chase
John Pfaff
Keith Collins
Dean David Eschweiler
Dennis J. Bergansky
David R. Dickson
James Ritter
Shawn Klubnik
Sean Francis
Buck Kidd
Brian Byard
Jeff Kirkwood
Paul Kellermann
Mark Witkiewicz
Benjamin Lang
Brian Geiger
Kevin Webb
Stacy Painter
Brian Sara
Justin Sisak
Nick Kehl
Val Closs
John Lobenthal
Sean Allred
Ryan Futo

Total Number of Officers.....32



2012 Support Personnel

Nancy Hovan

Secretary (to the Chief)	Nancy Hovan
Full Time Dispatchers (6)	Jeff Slezak Jacie Kelly Heidi Derrit Katie Duber Tara Reynolds Melanie Sinkie
Part Time Dispatchers (6).	Kim Dickson Micki Picha Melissa Kovach Sara Kozlowski * Abby Frejofsky
Detective Bureau Secretary	Janey Mackiewicz
Juvenile Diversion Coordinator	Penny Jarrell
Record Clerk	Sara Kozlowski
Part Time Record Clerks	Caren Trivett
Full Time Jailer.	Steve Karhan
Part Time Jailers (3)	Chris Carstarphen Robert Webb Dave Adams
Part Time Animal Warden(3)	Steve Fine Laura Hovanetz Al Benda
Part Time Car Wash.	Jacob Roberts
International Consultant-Trainer (Part Time) . . .	Ron Borsch
Department Chaplain	Edward Strnad

School Crossing Guards (5)

Walter Jones	Glendale/Turney
Steve Senderak	Center Rd.
Paul Flask	Henry/Broadway
Sandy Pocisk	Wheelock/Washington
Leonard Rarick	Johnson/Harriman

Auxiliary Police (20)

Ronald Trivett	Greg Grattino	Tatjana Grizancic
Gerald Pastor	Joseph Tuma	Les Ashby
Robert Webb*	Angela Porinchak	Rita Malcom
Wayne Witkowski	Steve Marmash	Chuck Browning
Mike Miller	Deborah Peterson	Alan Benda*
Connie Ritter	Shawn Francis	Valerie Warren
Christopher Hovan	Steve Fine*	

(* indicates they also hold other duties within the PD)

Total Number of Support Personnel 48
(F/T support 10, P/T support 18, Active Auxiliaries 20)

Total Number of Patrol Personnel 32

Total number of Bedford Police Personnel at the close of 2012 . . . 80
(42 F/T and 38 P/T)



Overview

Chief Gregory A. Duber

The following report is compiled to give a brief synopsis of the Police Departments activities for the year 2012. More detailed reports are available from the Division of Police. The information contained in the Annual Report is compiled and prepared by the officers and employees responsible for various administrative tasks in the department.

CALLS FOR SERVICE: CAD Reports are generated to document all Department activity.
 2011 – 22,236 2012 – 22,943

INCIDENT REPORTS: Incidents Reports are generated to reflect those CAD's that involved a Part I offense, arrest, property damage, or incidents that involved additional follow-up investigation.
 2011 – 1738 2012 – 1803

TRAFFIC CHARGES: Increased from 1329 in 2011, to 1421 in 2012

PARKING CITATIONS: Increased from 942 in 2011, to 1027 in 2012

CRIMINAL CHARGES: Increased from 2233 in 2011, to 2622 in 2012

JAIL BOOKINGS: Increased from 1717 in 2011, to 1872 in 2012

ACCIDENT REPORTS: Decreased from 309 in 2011, to 254 in 2012

PART I CRIMES: Decreased from to 703 in 2011, to 614 in 2012

CATEGORY	2011	CLEARED	2012	CLEARED
Homicide	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	1	1
Robbery	4	2	15	-
Assault	76	71	64	-
Burglary	54	9	35	-
Thefts	519	339	470	-
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>307</i>	<i>289</i>	<i>261</i>	
Auto Theft	50	18	28	-
Arson	0	0	1	1
Total	703	439	614	-

(Due to an upgrade to our CAD we are unable to supply cleared cases at this time for 2012)

Manpower levels remained down four (4) officers in 2012. For the second year in a row budget restraints have resulted in no new police vehicles for the Department.

We continued to use the criminal nuisance ordinance to hold homeowners accountable for continued police response to their residence. In 2012 twenty-nine (29) warning letters were sent out to residents and homeowners that violated the ordinance that future response would result in action by the City. Twenty-eight (28) resident homeowners were eventually billed for continued police response to their address.

For the first ten months the department focused on reducing accidents along Broadway. I am happy to report that we did reduce accidents. Unfortunately due to excessive activity at Walmart we turned our focused of attention to that area in an effort to reduce incidents. I am happy to report that due to this activity we have seen a noticeable reduction in criminal activity in the area. We will continue this target enforcement through the first half of 2013 and then re-evaluate our needs.

In 2012 we had one veteran officer retire, Executive Lt. Bob Kohn (February 2012). One officer, Ptl. Justine Sisak, was activated by the Army Reserves for three (3) years. We did hire and train two officers to replace them.

2011 was the start of a cooperative plan with Bedford Hts and Maple Hts. to consolidate our emergency dispatch centers. We will continue our quest in 2013 and hope to see the Center operational in early 2014.

In November our Records Management vendor upgraded their software. As of this date we are still awaiting the system to be fully functional.

In 2013, after 33 years I will retire and the Department will promote a new Chief. I'm confident the new administration will serve the community with the same dedication that I have since being promoted to Chief in 2004.

Whatever the challenge, the men and women of the Bedford Police Department will continue to provide quality service to the residents and continue to maintain, and improve, the quality of life within the community.



Animal Control
Deputy Chief Kris Nietert

In 2012 The City of Bedford employed three part-time animal wardens, Steve Fine, Laura Hovanetz, and Al Benda. We provide service to Bedford and Bedford Hts. Mon-Fri 0800-1600 and Sat-Sun 0800-1200, for a total of 48 hours per week. Bedford Hts. pays half of our expenses for this service.

The truck, a 2008 Chevrolet, went into service in October 2008. The truck is equipped with a mobile data terminal, allowing the animal wardens to receive call data and clear calls from the truck.

The animal wardens responded to 1473 calls for service in Bedford and 85 calls in Bedford Hts. However, Bedford Hts. uses a different method of record keeping that does not reflect all of the activities of the animal wardens. Calls for service included but are not limited to dogs running at large, animal bite reports, vicious dogs, barking dogs, nuisance animals, and requests for animal traps.

Summonses were issued for the following violations in Bedford:

Animal at Large	12
Barking Dog	3
Dangerous/Vicious	2
Cruelty	1
Max Number of Animals	3

The animal wardens provide information to residents regarding nuisance animals to help discourage the presence of these animals at their residence. Traps are available to residents of Bedford and Bedford Hts. Trapped nuisance wildlife cannot be released and must be euthanized to avoid the spread of rabies and other diseases. Skunks, possums, and raccoons are considered nuisance animals that cannot be relocated upon trapping. The animal wardens have been trained in techniques to properly euthanize animals and dispose of their carcass.



Auxiliary Police

Sgt. Mike Stask

The Bedford Auxiliary Police Force has an authorized strength of 30 officers, but currently it is comprised of 20 members. In 2012, two Auxiliaries resigned, two were hired, and one, Ken Jecmen, retired after 20 years of service.

The Auxiliaries serve to supplement and support the mission of the Bedford Police Department. They continue to play an instrumental role in addressing complaints regarding juveniles and "Quality of Life" issues. They participate in a "Juvenile/Quality of Life Patrol" that focuses on problems like juveniles walking, riding and/or skateboarding in the streets. They patrol the City's parks, including the skateboard park. They also look to address "Quality of Life" issues like junk motor vehicles, trashcans left out or trash put out early, and they issue Warning Notices when applicable.

The Auxiliaries also handle traffic control for the Bedford Foundation Classic Run/Walk, the Memorial Day Parade, and the Fourth of July Parade. They check homes for residents that are on vacation, as well as the vacant and foreclosed homes in the city. The Auxiliaries direct traffic and monitor parking for the various high school athletic events, and they assist with security for the events on the Square, various civic events, and the Fourth of July fireworks.

In 2012, the Auxiliaries also began patrolling at night. This "Night Patrol" was formed to increase police visibility and to deter the thefts from automobiles that our residents and businesses were experiencing.

The Auxiliaries fulfilled their training goal for 2012, and were all certified in CPR. The training goals for 2013 will be to have training in defensive tactics and a refresher in pepper spray.

The Auxiliaries worked a total of 2,798.15 hours in 2012. The Auxiliaries are required to work a minimum of 60 hours per year, 20 hours in the first half of the year and 20 hours in each of the third and fourth quarters.

The Auxiliaries look forward to 2013, and the challenges to come. They will continue their efforts in helping the citizens feel safe and secure in their neighborhoods.

BAC DataMaster 2012 Annual Report

Prepared by Ptlm. J. Ritter

The Bedford Police Department maintains 32 Police Officers and Jailers that are certified by the Ohio Department of Health to administer BAC breath tests using the BAC DataMaster and the Intoxilyzer 8000. All certified persons on the BAC DataMaster are required to take a written and proficiency test administered by the Ohio Department of Health annually. Operators on the Intoxilyzer 8000 are required to run one OVI test or a proficiency test annually. The term OVI stands for Operating a Vehicle while Intoxicated. The Bedford Police Department has 14 Senior Operators and 18 Operators for the BAC DataMaster. The Senior Operators are responsible to conduct weekly calibration checks on the BAC DataMaster to ensure that the instrument is operating correctly and within the standards set by the Ohio Department of Health.

The Bedford Police Department conducted a total of 152 BAC breath tests. These tests were conducted on the BAC DataMaster and Intoxilyzer 8000. OVI arrests totaled 32, compared to 42 in 2011. Twenty (20) of the OVI Arrests were for refusals, which was an increase from last year. Blood or urine is sometimes used to determine the degree of intoxicating substance in the individual's body, this usually occurs when the individual was involved in an accident and was taken to the hospital. This year we had 1 blood test which was processed at the Cuyahoga County Coroner's Office

The following is a breakdown of the BAC DataMaster tests conducted in 2012:

Total Tests Run:	152
Breath Tests:	39
Blood Tests:	1
Refusals	22
Not Charged:	1
Other Agencies:	7
Instrument Checks:	53
Proficiency Tests:	29

In July 2012, the Bedford Municipal Court gave Judicial Notice of the Intoxilyzer 8000 as a new breath testing machine that was adopted by the Ohio Department of Health which cleared the use for our Officers. The Bedford Police Department along with the Ohio Department of Health held two training classes in November 2012 at the SEALE (Southeast Area Law Enforcement) Academy for the certification necessary to operate the Intoxilyzer 8000. The Bedford Police Department sent 16 of its officers to this class to obtain the necessary certification. Other agencies that attended the training sessions were: East Cleveland PD, Walton Hills PD, Mentor on the Lake PD, Maple Hts. PD,

Sgt. Suts and Sgt. Stemple are assigned to the Cuyahoga County OVI Task Force which works with local police departments in helping them obtain grant money for various overtime details like Click it or Ticket, OVI Check Points, and High Visibility Enforcement Details. This year the Bedford Police Department with the Cuyahoga County OVI Task Force secured Grants for High Visibility Enforcement Details. These details were conducted approximately eight times throughout the year with the purpose to increase enforcement of OVI's, Adult and Child restraints, speeding, and driving under suspension charges. The details were very successful with 6 OVI arrests, 26 seatbelt and child restraint citations, and 17 driving under suspension charges. The Sergeants will again seek assistance for the 2013 year so we can continue to make Bedford streets safe.

Ptln. Stacy Painter once again had the most individual arrests for OVI offenders in the Bedford Police Department.



Communications

Deputy Chief Kris Nietert

The communications center consists of two workstations where our dispatchers take telephone and 911 calls, communicate via radio with police, fire, service, and surrounding communities. Independence Communications maintains the Moducomm radio console system.

Along with handling radio and telephone traffic, the communications center also houses the main control panel for the detention facility. The dispatcher also monitors 5 television screens, representing over fifty color cameras throughout the complex.

In the area of two-way radio, not much has changed. We still operate on the 420MHz spectrum, sharing a frequency with Walton Hills and Oakwood Village. Our portable and mobile radios are serviced by North Coast Two-Way Radio of Maple Hts. The narrow-banding was not completed as scheduled. It should be completed in the first quarter of 2013. The repeater was replaced.

To the rear of our station is a 190' monopole radio tower, which serves as a platform for AT&T, and Sprint/Nextel. All police, fire, and service radio equipment is housed in a small building between the AT&T and Sprint/Nextel buildings. We have our own platform at 130'.

The telephone system serves the entire city hall complex, including the court, fire, police, and off-premise locations at service and recreation. The entire system, including 911, was installed and is maintained by SBC.

We have our own LEADS line, with the LEADS/OpenFox (LEADS Messenger) software installed on most desktop computers in the station. We have also added the ability to access LEADS through our TAC Record Management System.

Our mobile data terminal (MDT) service is provided by TAC Computer, who also provides hosting for MDT LEADS access. The computers are Panasonic "Toughbook" CF29 computers with touch screen. Sprint provides the cellular mobile data service.

We have organized with Bedford Hts. and Maple Hts. to build a regional dispatch center in the Bedford Hts. City Hall building. Currently we are in the process of doing an architectural and technology review. We are hopeful the center will be operational in 2014.



Community Diversion Program

Penny Jarrell

In 2012, the Bedford Police Department continued control over the Community Diversion Program. This is a program funded through a grant with the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court. The program is designed to deal with juvenile offenders who are arrested for non-violent misdemeanor offenses that would ordinarily go unnoticed and unpunished by an already over-whelmed Juvenile Court system, but are referred to the Community Diversion Program for adjudication and sentencing.

Upon the arrest of a juvenile offender, the paper work is forwarded to the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court Intake Office. The individual is checked for prior arrests. If he/she has not been arrested before and the charges fall within the parameters for Diversion, the file is returned to the departments Juvenile Diversion Coordinator. The Coordinator schedules an interview with the juvenile and his parents/guardians to determine if the juvenile would comply and benefit from the program. The Juvenile Coordinator then determines what sanctions would best suit the individual and charge. The sanctions range from writing an apology letter to doing community service. The juvenile is then scheduled to appear before a volunteer magistrate in our court. The magistrates volunteer their time and meet once a week. Our two magistrates include Bedford Attorney Sherry Pidala and Janice St. John. The magistrate hears the particulars of the case and the recommendations of the program coordinator and determines the sentence for that individual.

Most youths are placed into community service and are required to complete a pre-determined number of community service hours. Auxiliary Officers of the department oversee the community service and transport the youths as needed. Some youths are sent to the Fire Dept. or the High School and some are assigned to help clean up the Bedford Commons area after events that are held there. In most cases the youths pick up trash, rake leaves and shovel snow for our senior citizens who call in and request assistance, and any other jobs we can find for them.

Penny Jarrell handles the responsibilities of the program coordinator.

The following is a breakdown of the Community Diversion Program:

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
Total youths	24	25
Males	16	18
Females	8	7
African-American	16	20
Caucasian	8	5
Hispanic	0	0
Asian	0	0
Youngest child was in	5 th grade	6 th grade
Youths successfully completed	22	24
Failed and referred back To Juvenile Court	0	1
<u>Residence</u>		
Bedford	12	10
Bedford Hts.	3	10
Oakwood Vlg	3	4
Other	6	1
<u>School</u>		
Bedford High School	14	15
Heskett Jr. High	2	6
Aurora	0	0
Columbus Rd.	0	0
Carylwood	1	1
Do not attend Bedford District	5	1
St. Peter Chanel	0	0
Education Alternatives	1	1
Home School	1	1
<u>Who generated complaints?</u>		
Bedford PD	17	19
Bedford Hts. PD	0	0
Oakwood Vlg PD	0	0
Businesses	2	1
Other	1	1
Bedford Board of Education	2	3
Parent	2	1

<u>Type of offenses</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
Arson	0	0
Assault	0	2
Carrying Concealed Weapon	0	0
Criminal Damaging	0	1
Criminal Mischief	0	0
Criminal Trespass	5	4
Curfew Violations	6	9
Disorderly Conduct	4	4
Domestic Violence	0	0
Falsification	0	0
Gambling	0	0
Fireworks	0	0
Inducing Panic	0	0
Loitering	0	0
Making False Alarms	0	0
Menacing	0	0
Obstructing Official Business	1	1
Petty Theft	0	1
Possession of drugs/paraphernalia	0	3
Public Indecency	0	0
Resisting Arrest	0	0
Runaway	3	1
Sexual Imposition	0	0
Shoplifting	3	0
Telephone Harassment	0	1
Theft	3	1
Truancy from School	2	2
Unauthorized use of Motor Vehicle	0	0
Underage Consumption /	0	0
Unruly Child	0	0
Walking in the Street	3	0
Total hours of Community Service	348	364

For 2013, we have been awarded a grant for \$4,200 from Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court.

2012 COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING ANNUAL REPORT

In 2012, Officer's of the Bedford Police Department continued to be involved in various community oriented policing activities.

The Bedford Police Department sent a representative (s) to speak to the following groups thru out the year or to be present to pass out various crime prevention materials. Bedford Police Department was represented at the Bedford High School Health Fair, "Ohio Ride Smart" program involving safety awareness of motorcycles at the Bedford Rotary Rib Festival, Bedford's PTA Safety Town, Bedford Strawberry Festival, YMCA Back to School Rally, Holy Spirit Welcome Back to School Event, Carylwood School Open House, Secure our Schools Safety Drills at both Central and Glendale schools, Operating Vehicle Intoxicated Prevention Program where officers went to numerous businesses to pass out DWUI informational items, Seat Belt Program both in the schools and the various alcohol related businesses, City Hall Halloween gift bags give away, Aspen Woods theft and crimes against the elderly presentations, Crime Prevention talk at the Bedford Public Library and Central School Safety Assembly.

The "Rainbow Valley Police Department" educational program that involved officers going into the Bedford Schools (Glendale and Central) continued from January until the end of the school year in June with officers presenting a topic in the two schools once a week. As in the previous years, this program was well received. The program was put on hold for the 2012-2013 school years temporarily due to manpower staffing on the police department. The presentation and continuation of this program will be reviewed in the coming months of 2013.

The "Officer Phil" program by Creative Safety Products in conjunction with the Bedford Police Department was presented at the Glendale, Central and Holy Spirit Schools, promoting various good student behaviors on several different topics.

Sgt. Mementowski was able to attend the Ohio Crime Prevention Association Conference in the Spring of 2012 and was able to obtain FREE publications from the Ohio Attorney General's Office on such topics as "Identity Theft", "Putting Telephone Scams on Hold," " Buying a Used Car", " Straight Talk about Telemarketing," " Home Sweet Home Improvements," " Taking the Scare out of Auto Repair," " 10 Things You can do to Avoid Fraud," " Job Scams Bookmarks," " Who's Calling? Recognize and Report," " Head's Up to Stop, Think, Connect with the Internet", "Prize Offers: You don't have to Pay". All of these publications were obtained free of charge to be distributed at various events thru out the city or available in the Bedford Police Department lobby. Free educational DVD, "The Ohio House of Worship Security Program" was also obtained.

The Bedford Police Department purchased 50 Bicycle Safety Helmets through a program with University Hospitals that were passed out throughout the year at various programs.

Bedford Police Officers continued thru out the year their citizen contacts through Preventive Patrol Reports, Warning Notices and various Memo's that addressed the prevention of crime or crime related activity.

Prepared by: Sgt. Ed Mementowski S12



OLEN/LEADS

2012 ANNUAL REPORT

SERGEANT RICK SUTS

Law Enforcement Automated (LEADS)
National Crime Information Center (NCIC)
Interstate Identification Index (III)
Computerized Criminal History (CCH)
Ohio Law Enforcement Network (OLEN)
Mobile Data Terminal (MDT)

In 2012 we completely changed our record keeping system. TAC computers developed a new program for their records management system. This programming is Windows based and allows for compatibility with other programs. It was phased in at the end of the year and we are currently getting everyone up to speed on the changes.

The Department continues to utilize the modern technology made available to us through the use of Mobile Data Terminals (MDT's). The MDT's allow officers to obtain information very quickly they also allow them to complete reports from their vehicles. The MDT's use Sprint air cards to transfer data and messages.

Sarah Kozlowski is the police department's TAC Officer. Dispatcher Katie Duber is the assistant TAC officer. They are responsible for ensuring proper entry of data to the networks and compliance with LEADS regulations. Both continue to do an outstanding job with their responsibilities. Sgt. Suts oversees the TAC operations.

D.A.R.E.
DRUG ABUSE RESISTANCE EDUCATION
Ptlm. Keith L. Collins



The school year 2012-2013 currently has one DARE officers, Ptlm. Keith Collins of Bedford PD. This is the last year of the current DARE program being presented in this format. The new program, "Keeping it Real" will begin in the school year 2012-2013. Officer Collins facilitates the program at Holy Spirit Academy with 10 students this school year.

Carylwood Intermediate School did not have the DARE program this school year. But the program will return to Carylwood in 2013 for approximately 125 students. The principal and staff look forward to the return of the DARE program to Carylwood Intermediate School. At the present time there are no DARE officers presenting the middle school program at Heskett Middle School or the high school program at Bedford High. Ptlm. Collins is however presenting a drug prevention presentation to four health classes and the nursing students at the high school.

I've completed 17 years as a DARE officer for the Bedford Police Department and the Bedford City School District. The funding now includes school resource officers and does not include teaching at parochial or private schools. The D.A.R.E. program continues to be a positive and viable program for elementary school students. The return of the D.A.R.E program to Carylwood will positively effect the students in making good choices and decisions.

D.A.R.E. is a research-based drug and violence prevention program. The latest research has been conducted by the University of Akron. D.A.R.E. is not just about drugs, alcohol, and violence. It is a program that teaches students how to make good choices and decisions. Research has shown that peer pressure is a big factor is students making good or bad choices. Therefore the program has been updated to reflect this research.

Without the support of the city administration, police administration, school administration and parents, this program would not have the success it has had since its beginning in 1983. DARE continues to be a popular program for the elementary age students. It still helps prevent future drug abuse, alcohol abuse, and gang violence among school age children. It is more than a drug prevention program. It teaches students how to make good choices and decisions.



Detective Bureau

Detective OIC Dennis Bergansky

Detectives conduct overt and covert criminal investigations into major cases such as homicide, kidnapping, aggravated robbery, burglaries, narcotics, other felony crimes and also investigate all misdemeanor crimes. Detectives are trained extensively in criminal investigation techniques including, crime scene processing, crime scene photography, latent fingerprints, DNA evidence, footprint and tire casting, and interview/interrogation methods. In addition to these areas, members of the detective bureau, prepare and execute search warrants, cultivate informants/confidential sources and perform surveillance. All of this is done to identify the offender and to obtain evidence to present at trial. Detectives work closely with the uniformed patrol officers, victims of crime, and prosecutors to ensure a successful prosecution of the offender(s).

The bureau is comprised of four detectives (Dennis Bergansky, Shawn Klubnik, Buck Kidd, and Brian Byard) and a secretary (Janey Mackiewicz). Det. Byard is assigned to the SEALE Narcotics Unit. The SEALE Narcotics Unit investigates and prosecutes drug law violations within the SEALE communities.

Detectives were assigned and assisted in over 200 cases in 2012. Some of the major cases the detective bureau worked on in 2012:

- Jonathan Young was arrested for armed robbery and sentenced to 6 years in prison.
- Marcus Ward Spencer was arrested for a series of burglaries and sentenced to 5 years in prison.
- Connie Williams and Kirby Waddell were arrested for scamming elderly persons throughout Cuyahoga and adjoining counties.
- Michael Cooper, Anthony Butler, Mary Ellen Macgregor, Christopher Whitaker were arrested for burglary.

The detective bureau hosted John Olenik for a cyano-acrylate fuming and dye staining class training for all of the SEALE police departments. Detectives attended bi-monthly SEALE detective meetings to share criminal intelligence information and discuss open cases with local detectives. We strive to identify, arrest and bring violent and non-violent offenders to justice to make our community a safer place to live and work.



Equipment Violations

Patrolman Dave Eschweiler

<u>OFFICER</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>REPAIR</u>	<u>COURT</u>
RJN	14	10	4
DE	18	12	6
JR	4	3	1
KW	8	6	2
SP	15	6	9
JL	8	8	0
ELM	0	0	0
RC	5	5	0
MJS	7	6	1
PK	2	2	0
JMS	2	1	1
RF	3	3	0
MS	0	0	0
JP	4	2	2
SF	2	2	0
MW	11	9	2
BS	2	1	1
RS	1	1	0
SA	1	1	0
DD	6	6	0
JK	11	11	0
BG	18	17	1
BL	2	1	1
NK	5	5	0
VC	11	10	1
TOTAL	160	128	32

Firearms 2012 Annual Report

The Bedford Police Department Firearms Program made several changes in 2012. We fired some new courses and are in the process of using and testing new ammunition and handguns.

This year we transitioned to a new yearly qualification course for pistol. Although the Ohio Peace Officers Training Council did not make the new course mandatory until 2013, our department began qualifying with the new course this year. There is also a new shotgun qualification course that will be mandatory in 2014. Our officers had no problems when we fired the new course for practice.

We also changed to more effective ammunition in our patrol rifles. Since many shootings that involve police officers occur around automobiles, we have decided to carry ammunition specifically designed to maintain its stopping power when penetrating barriers such as auto glass and sheet metal. The new ammunition does not penetrate any better than our old ammunition, it just holds together better after penetrating.

Two of our SWAT officers have been authorized by the Chief of Police to carry their SWAT handgun while on duty for the city, instead of carrying the handgun they were originally issued for patrol work. By doing so, they are more proficient with their firearms. Instead of training equally with two handguns, one for SWAT and one for patrol, they can focus more on training with one handgun.

We have also begun testing other handguns for patrol use. Officers were given an opportunity to shoot a Glock pistol in two different calibers. The Glock has a larger ammunition capacity than our current SIG pistols. The grip is also adjustable in size, allowing it to better fit into the hands of more officers. A gun selection committee will make a recommendation to the chief once they reach a decision about what will work best for the department.

Overall it has been a busy year for the range coaches and administration. All have adapted well to the changes we have encountered.





*Gregory A. Duber
Chief of Police*

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Safety Forces Fitness Center

Annual Report 2012

**Sgt. Martin Stemple
Nancy Hovan**

The Bedford Police Fitness Center continues to be one of the busiest places in our facility. The Fitness Center is open twenty four hours a day, seven days a week. The high volume of use of the Fitness Center reflects on the dedication to physical fitness by our Police Department.

Our facility currently has the following equipment:

- (2) Treadmills**
- (2) Elliptical steppers**
- A recumbent bike**
- Cable crossover station**
- (3) Leg stations**
- Seated row machine**
- Total shoulder machine**
- Hyper extension apparatus**
- Vertical knee raise/ab-dip station**
- A variety of free weights and dumbbells**

Last year, the Fitness Committee felt that due to the state of the economy, we would not send out any letters to businesses, asking for donations to our gym fund. But, due to the increasing wear and tear on the equipment, and no source of income for the gym fund, we need to replenish the account. Therefore, the Committee sent out over 100 letters to local businesses. As of the date of this report, 10 establishments

have replied with donations, but more (hopefully) are expected. In addition to these donations, with the Chief's approval, we may be able to use part of the generous donation that the F.O.E. Hall had given to the Police Dept. Our intention is to achieve our goal set last year, to replace our old treadmill. Last year we were able to replace one of the old treadmills with a top of the line "Precor" treadmill. We would like to purchase a second one to match it. Other goals for 2013 are:

- Raise more funds to replenish the Gym Fund
- Upgrade/replace any used or worn equipment
- To keep the gym in the best possible condition and to provide a safe, clean, professional environment to keep all personnel physically fit.

**** See the following pages for statistics on the use of the facility ****

Name	01-12	02-12	03-12	04-12	05-12	06-12	07-12	08-12	09-12	10-12	11-12	12-12	Total
GUESTS	84	79	59	56	37	48	44	37	34	52	51	22	603
Allred Sean											4	15	19
Bergansky Dennis J.			2			1	1	1					5
Byard Brian	11	12	10	7	1	1	1	2	4	8	5	7	68
Chase Robert	16	17	17	17	15	7	21	13	12	13	16	16	180
Closs Valentine	9	8	4	6	1		5	3	1			3	40
Collins Keith						1	1	1					3
Dickson David	7	6	6	7						6	6	1	39
Duber Gregory	8	7	1	3	6	5	5		1	2	1	1	40
Eschweiler David													0
Francis Sean				5	4			2		2			13
Futo Ryan								10	6	9	10	12	47
Geiger Brian	6	4	9	10	11	8	7	9	10	7	8	7	96
Hovan Nancy	19	15	21	16	22	21	15	13	14	23	17	13	209
Kehl Nick	8	5	3	5	6	5	2	2	3	5	7	7	58
Kellermann Paul	12	11	9	9	11	9	10	10	4	2	9	11	107
Kidd Buck M.		3		6	1	2	6	1					19
Kirkwood Jeff	12	5	6	6	6	9	6	7	6	6	5	9	83
Klubnik Shawn M.	1	9	3	12	8	7	8	4	6	6	8	5	77
Lang Ben	12	10	9	1		3	6	3	2	10	8	7	71
Lobenthal John	8	8	5	9	6	10	7	8	9	6	10	10	96
Mementow Edward	13	9	13	6	8	5	12	8	10	15	7	1	107
Niemann Ronald	8	5	6	7	8	8	7	8	7	7	8	12	91
Nieler Kris	4	3	1										8
Painter Stacy	5	4	7	9	6	8	7	3	8	9	9	6	81
Pfaff John	12	10	11	8	9	7	10	11	7	11	6	5	107
Ritter James F.				1						1			2
Sara Brian	9	3	1	2			1		5	5		2	28
Sisak Justin		4	7	6	1	2						2	20
Slask Michael J.	12	8	8	8	4	4	3	6	3	1	5	2	64
Stemple Martin	22	26	25	8		16	19	24	18	25	20	21	224
Suts Rick	5	1	3		5	2	1	2	1	2			22
Webb Kevin	11	9	4	2			3	7	11	8	9	4	68
Witkiewicz Mark	12	9	10	8	8	10	8	7	8	13	9	10	112
Total	326	290	260	240	184	199	215	202	190	254	238	209	2807

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Elyptical #1	315	150	463	460	550	500	410	922	855	1455	552	85	6717
Elyptical #2	1204	739	785	521	506	415	572	475	255	440	322	280	6514
Treadmill #1	2665	1105	1665	1007	820	1040	1064	800	877	1127	1083	515	13768
Treadmill #2	1158	692	900	945	1035	1085	765	280	235	410	755	940	9200
Bike #1	460	298	345	305	311	305	285	260	265	180	440	175	3629



Bedford City Jail
Deputy Chief Kris Nietert

The Bedford City Jail is a State approved, twelve (12) day holding facility consists of six (6) double occupancy cells, (3) three dayrooms with shower facilities, television and eating space, (1) single occupancy administrative/segregation cell, two (2) holding cells, one (1) detox cell, inmate/public visitation rooms, attorney visitation room, interview room, multi purpose room, kitchen, laundry room, storage room, property storage, processing area and booking desk.

The jail is staffed by four part-time corrections officers, Steve Karhan, Chris Carstarphen, Robert Webb, and Dave Adams. They cover 108 hours per week. During off hours, the jail duties are handled by patrol officers. At the end of 2012, Steve Karhan was made a full-time correction officer to oversee the day-to-day operation of the jail.

Corrections officers are responsible for the booking, processing, care, and release of all persons arrested or sentenced. We do house state sentenced misdemeanors and felons for Cuyahoga County. Corrections officers handle intake/release, visitations, showers, feeding, medication dispensing, assisting with transportation, and fingerprinting.

Corrections officers also handle the WebCheck fingerprinting of applicants who work in different fields including those required by the state to be fingerprinted, i.e. criminal justice, car salespersons, teachers, child and elderly care professionals, etc.

In 2012 the Jail continued its contract with Dr. Arnold Feltoon to handle all medical needs and concerns in regards to inmates. Dr. Feltoon reviewed and approved our medical standards so they would comply with the state. The doctor is available 24/7 for consultation, and we consult with the doctor on every case in which a prisoner requests medical care, or has prescription medication.

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
Request for Medical Care	66	109
Transported to Hospital	7	15

The following is a breakdown of persons charged and booked into the Bedford City Jail.

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
Booked into the Jail	1717	1845

Cost to feed inmates:

<u>2011</u>	2012
\$17,797.50	\$25,729.25

All meals are purchased and picked up from U.H.H.S. Bedford Medical Center. This insures that all meals are nutritious and meet state standards.

Revenue from housing state sentenced misdemeanors for Cuyahoga County Jail:

<u>2011</u>	2012
\$1,060.46	\$47,062.31

There was a significant increase in jail revenue due to the increased housing demands of the Cuyahoga County Sheriff.



Juvenile Offenses

Penny Jarrell

During 2012, the Bedford Police Department made 195 arrests of 179 different juveniles for a total of 285 charges, an increase of 7 arrests from 2011. This includes 16 repeat offenders in 2012, down 6 from 2011. There was one juvenile that was arrested 8 times.

Of the 195 juveniles charged, 135 were males and 60 were females. There were 20 felonies and 175 misdemeanors.

In 2012, 50 traffic tickets were issued to juveniles resulting in 55 separate charges. These consisted of moving, non-moving, equipment violations, underage tobacco, and other misc. citations. Some of the non-moving violations consisted of 3 cites for loud music, 16 cites for jaywalking and walking in the street. 6 citations were issued for underage possession of tobacco products, and 4 for not wearing a seatbelt.

Juveniles walking in the street, continues to be an important concern of the residents. They are very appreciative when they see the police handling this problem aggressively.

The Bedford Police Department will continue to monitor the juvenile complaints and concerns throughout the city in 2013 and be aggressive in its enforcement.



Motor Vehicle Accident Reports

Sara Kozlowski

The Bedford Police Department investigated 254 motor vehicle accidents in 2012, which is a decrease of 54 from 2011.

There were 90 injury accidents and 7 private property accidents.

There were 5 pedestrian accidents and 2 bicycle accidents. The City of Bedford had 0 fatal accidents, 1 less than last year.

Officers investigated 28 hit-skip accidents and solved 20 of the reports. There were 275 crash related citations in 2011 and 200 crash related citations in 2012. Local MVA reports totaled 273.



Officer Arrests

Sergeant Rick Suts

OFFICER	TRAFFIC	PARKING	CRIMINAL
CHIEF DUBER	2	0	2
D.C. NIETERT	0	0	11
LT. NIEMANN	105	68	88
SGT. SUTS	37	10	45
SGT. STEMPLE	35	6	11
SGT. MEMENTOWSKI	20	12	37
SGT. STASK	40	52	50
SGT. KELLERMANN	60	30	63
PTL. CHASE	52	22	77
PTL. PFAFF	47	35	58
PTL. COLLINS	3	6	59
PTL. ESCHWEILER	79	86	112
PTL. DICKSON	97	39	91
PTL. RITTER	61	70	113
PTL. FRANCIS	48	14	90
PTL. KIRKWOOD	71	18	94
PTL. WITKIEWICZ	71	29	113
PTL. LANG	23	9	78
PTL. GEIGER	40	78	66
PTL. WEBB	40	44	76
PTL. PAINTER	121	89	158
PTL. SARA	64	30	117
PTL. SISAK	46	21	41
PTL. KEHL	39	24	93
PTL. CLOSS	88	112	124
PTL. LOBENTHAL	84	74	132
PTL. ALLRED	7	1	16
PTL. FUTO	22	31	38
DET. BERGANSKY	11	0	22
DET. KLUBNIK	0	0	13
DET. KIDD	3	0	57
DET. BYARD	0	0	26
JAILER KARHAN			215
JAILER CARSTARPHEN			65
JAILER WYRSTA			20
JAILER WEBB			63
JAILER ADAMS			4
OTHER SOURCES	5	17	84
TOTALS	1421	1027	2622



Property Room

Detective Shawn Klubnik

The property room of the Bedford Police Department is used to store evidence, recovered property, and confiscated items that need to be secured. Evidence and property are stored together with drugs having a separate, well ventilated, storage room. Money confiscated from defendants is secured in a safe until dispositions are handed down from the courts.

The Bedford Police Department handled 609 various items that were entered into the property room. 467 items consisted of property/evidence, 9 consisted of money being taken from defendants for drug and/or theft offenses and 133 consisted of drug cases.

The Bedford police department continues to support Rick Case Inc. with their charity, Bikes for Kids. This year, 22 bikes were turned over to Rick Case and donated to needy children during the Christmas season.

Officers continue to do an excellent job with the procedures instituted for entering items into the property room, which leads to maintaining a high level of accountability for property submitted.

The Bedford Police Department continues to make every effort to reunite all recovered and found property to the rightful owners.

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

By

Ptln. Keith L. Collins #17



The school year 2012 began my eighth year as a School Resource Officer for the Bedford City School District. Incidents on campus have decreased from (2011) 59 incidents (27 disruptions) to (2012) 54 incidents (14 disruptions). Most of the incidents on campus involve student disruptions of classrooms or school and insubordination to administration, faculty, or staff. The largest percentage of campus crime is petty thefts and disorderly conducts. The disorderly conduct incidents usually stem from the insubordination and refusals to follow directives by staff and the SRO is called into assist.

I assist with lunch duty, bus duty, and hall duty. I average about one counseling session a week and a half with a student. This is mostly informal. I usually work home events like football and basketball games. As in the past, conflicts between female students are greater than male students. I am presenting five times on drug prevention to the health classes. This is conducted on Thursdays. I have counseled students involved with issues of drugs or violence as a part of a team involved with a student's individual education plan or IEP. I have been able to conduct more classroom presentations involving forensics, math, 4th Amendment Search and Seizure, traffic laws, and conflict resolution. The presentations have been well received by the students and faculty.

My role at the high school has been predominately law enforcement and mediations to prevent physical altercations on campus, although the law enforcement incidents have decreased. Mediations have decreased also. This may be due to students solving their problems themselves or they are taking incidents off campus and it is not being reported unless parents become involved and report it to the school or law enforcement. The biggest problem facing the school resource officer today is social media. Because of its

access and popularity, conflicts which start on social media spill over into the school environment. Staying on top of the trends in social media and the new synthetic and over the counter drugs is important for the SRO.

I was assigned to the position of School Resource Officer at Bedford High School in March of 2004. I received my State of Ohio certification in August of 2003 from OPOTC. I received my national certification from the National School Resource Officers Association in July of 2004. In December of 2004, I earned the credential of National SRO (Master SRO) Practitioner.

The SRO program continues to be a viable and productive program for the police department by assisting the department in investigations involving our students, but more importantly establishing and maintaining a positive and working relationship between law enforcement and education. I believe it frees up patrol from being bogged down with incidents at the high school. There is a relationship between the school administration and law enforcement administration. The lines of communication are positive and the goals of each organization many times overlap. Both are interested in productive, law abiding citizens.



Training - Schools Nancy Hovan

In the year 2012, officers, dispatchers, and support personnel of the Bedford Police Department accumulated a total of **1444** hours of classroom training/schools held at various locations outside of the department and within the City. This represents an increase of 419.5 hours of classroom training from 2011.

Ptln. John Lobenthal accumulated the most hours of training with 254 hours. Sgt. Suts attended Hazardous Devices Recertification Training in Alabama. Chief Greg Duber attended the IACP conference in Minneapolis, MN. Detective Buck Kidd attended Basic Crime Scene Investigation and Certified Crime Scene Investigation Prep Test Course in Savanna, GA. Ptln. Brian Geiger attended OVC Mass Violence and Emergency National Training Conference in Jacksonville, FL. Many officers took on-line classes.

All Officers took on line classes, Deescalating Mental Health, Awareness to Human Trafficking and Responding to Human Trafficking.

All Personnel took an on line class, Ethics and Professionalism.

All full time dispatchers took on line classes, ICS and NIMS.



Vehicle Fleet
Deputy Chief Kris Nietert

The Bedford Police Departments Vehicle fleet consists of 21 vehicles, 8 marked patrol vehicles, 1 marked Auxiliary car, 3 unmarked detective vehicles, 3 administration vehicles, 1 school car, 1 transport van, 1 animal control vehicle, a U.S. Army surplus Humvee, a U.S. Army surplus M113A2 armored personnel carrier for use in tactical situations, and a Navistar (International) truck tractor and 25 ton trailer to tow the M113A2. We also have an enclosed trailer that is used to house and haul the four (4) Honda generators that we use to power traffic signals during blackouts. This trailer has also proven useful for hauling supplies for outdoor range. The department also has a trailer mounted generator used to power traffic signals during blackouts.

Maintenance and fuel costs were as follows:

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
Miles Driven	271,291	246,611
Gallons of Gas	23,761	23,837
Maintenance Costs	\$25,694.69	\$30,129.25
Gas Costs	\$72,985.29	\$77,140.85
Total Cost	\$98,679.98	\$107,270.10



S.E.A.L.E.

CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM

Detective Buck Kidd

The responsibilities of the Crisis Intervention Team are:

- Respond to all incidents in the S.E.A.L.E. cities involving a hostage or a barricaded subject.
- Establish communications with the offender and to negotiate a safe, non-violent, conclusion to the situation.

Structure and Personnel

Unit Coordinator – Chief P.Viland
Solon Police Dept.

Unit Commander – Det. D. Dillon
Garfield Hts. Police Dept.

Assistant Unit Commander – Sgt. J. Jesenovic
Maple Hts. Police Dept.

Officer S. Ferris
Maple Hts. Police Dept.

Det. B. Kidd
Bedford Police Dept.

Officer D. Gasper
Walton Hills Police Dept.

Officer T. Barr
Solon Police Dept.

Detective Ericka Payne
Bedford Hts Police Department

Officer Thomas with Solon PD and Officer Ventura with Oakwood PD left the team and Detective Payne was added.

Training

Members meet once a month to keep their skills sharp by conducting scenarios and training with equipment.

Members attended Mental Health Training 101 for Law Enforcement in May at Highland Hts.

A joint CIT/SWAT training was held in June as members from both teams learned to work together to resolve hostile situations.

Members attended the Midwest Crisis Negotiators Conference held in Columbus in September.

Call Outs

On June 6th, CIT responded to Garfield Hts for possible suspects shooting inside a residence.

On November 5, 2012 CIT responded to the Northfield Road Bridge in Bedford for a suicidal male with a weapon. Negotiations successful suspect surrendered.

GOALS

The goal in 2013 is to bring the team up to full strength by adding negotiators and cross train with other C.I.T. teams and to continue to provide the SEALE communities with expert negotiators in bringing hostage, barricaded subjects and suicidal situations to a safe conclusion for all involved.

Year 2012 Annual Report
SEALE Regional Police Training Academy

Prepared by Academy Manager, Ron Borsch

February 8th 2013

SEALE Academy is a post-graduate facility and group cooperative between the seven communities of Bedford, Bedford Heights, Garfield Heights, Maple Heights, Oakwood, Solon and Walton Hills. We are centrally located in the Bedford Recreation Center. Since our beginning in 1998, the academy has served well over one hundred different local, county, state, and federal law enforcement agencies.

OPOTC CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL TRAINING CREDIT

As a service to our law enforcement audience, we offer a convenient location for any mandated, OPOTC, (Ohio Peace Officers Training Council), Continuing Professional Training, CPT credits.

SEALE ACADEMY'S PRIDE:
"TACTICAL 1st RESPONDER"[©] COURSE

Officers from eight different states have now attended our premier course, "Tactical 1st Responder"[©]. Our SOLO, (**"Single Officer's Lifesaving Others"**[©]), concept and its unique reality proven countermeasures to stopping the active killer, one who commits rapid mass murder, continued to gain both national and international exposure. As a result this has been positive publicity and prestige for Ohio, SEALE, and Bedford. We field phone calls and E-mail from a few dozen states inquiring about our research and the "Multi-tiered and Multi-directional response of the SOLO concept. Our academy being so "recognized", as a national training resource is an honor.

SEALE AND BEDFORD OHIO ON THE INTERNATIONAL MAP

Due to published interviews and articles on prestigious law enforcement Internet sites, (PoliceOne; ForceScience; SpartanCops; Etc.) our academy has achieved recognition for freely sharing our research and statistics of life saving information. Based on our protocol for "Rapid Mass Murder"[©] by active killer, our research reveals that in only about half of these incidents there was a successful stopping of the active killer. We are working to improve this.

COUNTER INTUITIVE?

Law enforcement has had many valuable lessons on officer safety, prevailing and winning encounters. However, what works and what does not in stopping the killing has been documented very well and may be counter intuitive to previous officer safety training. It boils down to an industry standard of tactical

safety priorities where innocents come first, officers second, and the offenders last.

What does work in stopping the killing? Of successful stoppages, (only half of the "Rapid Mass Murder"© incidents), civilians were successful two thirds of the time while mostly unarmed, and was initiated by a single actor eight out of ten times. Law enforcement handled the other third, and in seven out of ten successes, it was initiated by a "Single Officer's Lifesaving Others"©. This data, 70 % success initiated by a SOLO officer, is both remarkable and significant in saving lives.

Unfortunately, our work has not penetrated everywhere, and there are still agencies training in undocumented theory, such as the "Posse" theory practice of delaying entry to round up four or more officers for a tactical formation of some sort while innocents are being murdered. We have been unable to document even a single successful abort of "Rapid Mass Murder"© with the "Too many, too late" method. Our research included regular polling of our own academy students, and eight presentations of the "Final Option" in four other states. On the other hand, we have been able to document successes with initiation by two officers, (+/- 15%), and three officers, (also +/- 15 %).

NATIONAL ECONOMY EFFECTS LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

Our academy, like everyone else, is feeling negative effects from the current state of our economy and short staffing due to attrition. When safety forces all over the country are experiencing job losses through lay-offs, unfortunately training will, and has, taken a big hit.

TRAINING: "FIRST BLAMED, LAST FUNDED"

Law enforcement has serious responsibilities of protecting the public, and is held to a higher standard than ordinary citizens. Often we have to make due with what we have. While typically training is the first thing blamed for a problem and last item funded, we are very likely to see training budgets cut yet again. To counter these effects, in 2011 the Training Council of the SEALE Chief's decided instead of half price for the seven SEALE agencies, there will be no tuition cost for most standard SEALE curriculum classes as of January 2012. While a well meaning plan, there was still a significant decrease in training attendance.

We will continue to try and attract other tuition free courses whenever possible. These may be the "Infomercial" types where the independent training contractor gets to display new technology or products, and we get to learn about them.

INTERNATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AND EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION

At the April 2011 ILEETA International conference in Chicago, our manager had the honor of being asked by Master Firearms Trainer and Author, Massad Ayoub, moderator of the ILEETA "***Panel of Experts, Deadly Force Issues***", to serve for the third year in a row to sit at the table as one of his ten experts.

ACADEMY MANAGER CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Our manager, as a student, attended the 2012 International Law Enforcement Educators and Trainers Association, in Chicago Illinois; the "National Patrol Rifle Conference" in Troy Michigan, and two conferences of the South Central Task Force, (both as a student and featured speaker), in Pennsylvania at the Harrisburg Community College.

PUBLIC SERVICE

Our research into the subject of "Rapid Mass Murder"© has revealed many things for both law enforcement and civilians. Lifesaving information is of little value unless it is shared. The final option for school children when rapid mass murder strikes has been to run, hide, or fight. Law enforcement's final option is armed intervention. What we have been missing is a law enforcement involvement, a cooperative with the schools in developing earlier options.

In 2012, BuckeyeFirearms.org published two essays by our manager titled **K.I.D.S.** which is an acronym for "**Killer Inside Identified Sooner**"©, and "**Who Will Stand For Our Children?**" Both have registered over 1,800 "reads". K.I.D.S is a program primarily aimed at the civilian side with officers welcome to attend. We are still tuning the basic program. K.I.D.S. will be about a two-hour presentation targeted for parents of kids in Junior and Senior High Schools, but still beneficial to parents with children in Elementary Schools, (where the typical active killer has been an outsider).

END

SOUTHEAST AREA LAW ENFORCEMENT

Dedicated to Community Protection

Federal No. 34-1199591

Bedford-Bedford Hts-Garfield Hts-Maple Hts-Oakwood Village-Solon-Walton Hills



January 9, 2012

From: Det. Sgt. Welch
Re: 2012 Annual Report

Dear Sirs:

The SEALE Narcotics Task Force (SNTF) was created to identify, investigate and arrest low to mid level narcotic traffickers in the Southeast area of Cuyahoga County, specifically in the cities of Maple Heights, Garfield Heights, Bedford Heights, Bedford, Solon, Oakwood Village and Walton Hills. Narcotic trafficking is a constant threat to the nearly 110,000 residents of the cities that SEALE is comprised of. The SEALE communities represent a racially and economically diverse population. With drug organizations becoming more sophisticated and more inter-connected with each other, the SNTF continue to adapt to emerging trafficking trends, and apply proven proactive enforcement strategies to effectively and successfully combat them. The SNTF goals are to arrest these traffickers, confiscate controlled substances, seize drug related assets as well as contribute to the overall safety of the SEALE communities.

Findings within the Ohio Substance Abuse Monitoring Network's 2012 report are consistent with drug activities that are occurring in the region. While marijuana continues to be the most widely available drug, and crack cocaine is easily accessible, heroin has become the biggest problem in the SEALE communities due to the availability, extremely addictive nature and its association with property and violent crime. Drug addicts come from adjacent cities and counties to the area to purchase heroin. This is evident by the number of heroin related deaths in Cuyahoga County, the amounts of heroin seized by the SNTF and heroin related cases that have been investigated. All of the SEALE cities have experienced thefts, burglaries and robberies committed by people that are addicted to heroin, and their sole motivation in committing these crimes is to feed their addiction.

The SNTF has also addressed the opiate addiction problem by investigating and prosecuting traffickers involved in prescription medication. The task force seen a 123% increase in seized Oxycodone and Hydrocodone pills in 2012. Prescription related addiction quickly turn into heroin addiction. Canadian drug manufacturers will soon be producing generic Oxycontin with the current safety formula. The SNTF anticipates these cases to grow in 2013. With marijuana providing a gateway for "hard" drugs especially to the youth in our communities, the SNTF still views marijuana as a significant threat to our neighborhood. Prosecutions for trafficking and cultivations have continued in 2012.

As drugs and violence go hand in hand, the SNTF continues to put an emphasis on seizing weapons and arresting violent drug offenders. This is evident by the number of firearms seized by the unit in 2012. In 2012 there were 64 firearms seized, many of them being assault rifles, compared to 20 firearms in 2011.

The SNTF's effectiveness is evidenced by not only by the number of narcotics investigations completed but also by the unit's near 100% conviction rate. The SNTF is respected by prosecutor and judges as well as other task forces throughout the region.

The SEALE Narcotic Task Force took on a new look in 2012. The Seale Chief's voted to double the size of the unit from two detectives to four detectives. Detective Byard oversaw the Unit as Det. Bill Gall retired from the narcotics unit in June. Detective Gall was replaced by Detective Dennis Welch from Garfield Hts. Detective Glenn Daniels from Bedford Heights and Detective Michael Griffis from Solon were added to the Unit.

The following is a year end statistical report of the SNTF for 2012:

<u>GRANTS RECEIVED</u>	
JAG BYRNE	\$41,888.21
ODLEF	\$140,952.79
<u>CASES</u>	<u>2012</u>
Filed Cases	63
Invest Cases	15
<u>SEARCH WARRANTS</u>	44
<u>Money Seized</u>	\$83,983
<u>Money Spent on Controlled Buys(149)</u>	\$13,982
<u>Seized Property</u>	
Guns	67
Vehicles	7
<u>Proceeds from Auction</u>	\$14,805
<u>Drugs</u>	
Powder Cocaine	1,275.5 Grams
Crack Cocaine	233.26 Grams
Heroin	105.15 Grams
Marijuana	61 Lbs.
Mushroom	2 Grams
MDMA (Ecstasy)	29 Pills
Oxymorphone (Opana)	132 Pills
Hydrocodone (Vicodin)	95 Pills
Oxycodone (Percocet)	145 Pills
Alprazolam (Xanax)	136 Pills
Amphetamine (Adderall)	12 Pills

The Following is a sample of 2012 cases:

JAN.

A search warrant was executed in Garfield Hts. for marijuana investigation. Detectives seized nearly \$16,000 along with 40Lbs. of marijuana, 4 guns and 2000 Jaguar. Male sentenced to 3 yrs. Prison.

FEB.

A tip and traffic stop leads to search warrant in Walton Hills. Detectives locate 458 marijuana plants and large cache of high powered weapons including numerous AR-15 and AK-47's.

Detectives assisted CPD Narcotics and Cuyahoga County SO in intercepting a 5lbs. marijuana shipment. The suspect fled and was arrested with the marijuana and Tech-9.

Detectives assisted Summit County drug Interdiction Unit in intercepted 5 Kilo's of cocaine being delivered to an address in Oakwood Village.

A Bedford tip leads detectives to male selling and cultivating marijuana. Detectives seized \$2,676.

Maple Heights suspicious garbage leads to meth investigation. Search warrant reveals meth lab on Broadway Ave. Suspect receives 3 year prison sentence.

A fire in Maple Heights leads to meth investigation. Two suspects receive 10 and 8 year prison sentence.

MARCH

Controlled purchases of heroin within 1000 feet of Chanel High School leads to arrest of male with 36 additional grams of crack cocaine.

Controlled purchases of crack cocaine leads to search warrant in Bedford Heights. Detectives locate 112 Grams of crack cocaine. Male receives 3 year prison sentence.

APRIL

Controlled purchases of heroin near Barack Obama School, Maple Heights nets two male suspects and nearly \$3,000.

Crimestopper tip leads to controlled purchases of marijuana in Maple Heights. The male had previous narcotics case with SNTF in 2009. SEALE Narcotics and SWAT executed a search warrant to find a large marijuana grow operation. A female and small child also resided in the home. Money, gun and vehicle were seized.

MAY

Detectives observed a drug transaction in a commercial parking lot in Maple Heights. A male was found to have a small amount of heroin. Detectives "flipped" the male into making a controlled purchase of heroin from his supplier. The invest led to the arrest of the dealer. When the dealer was arrested he was in possession of 7 grams of heroin and \$2200. The money and a 200 Lincoln were forfeited.

A concerned mother of a heroin addict contacted detectives to say she had been texting her son's dealer. Detectives made controlled purchases of ecstasy. A search warrant was executed and additional doses of ecstasy and a handgun were seized.

Controlled purchases of crack cocaine were made near Educational Alternatives School in Bedford. The male was arrested and found to have 19 rocks of crack in his possession.

JUNE

An informant made controlled purchases of cocaine from a bar and upstairs apartment. The bar had illegal gambling poker machines. During a search of the bar and apartment, cocaine and \$4700 were found from the machines.

Controlled purchases of crack cocaine were made in Oakwood Village. Detectives arrested a male who had a previous narcotics case with SNTF. A search warrant was executed and 8.6 grams of crack cocaine were found in a fake water bottle. Also recovered were a handgun that was found to be stolen and \$1800.

Controlled purchases of heroin were made on Warner Rd. The dealer was supplying a large amount of suburban youth. The male was arrested; a scooter, gun and about \$1000 were forfeited to SEALE.

JULY

Controlled purchases of crack cocaine were made from a Maple Heights man. The male was arrested and a search warrant executed in Maple Heights. Detectives seized approx. \$7000, 13 grams of cocaine, 6 grams of crack cocaine and a mushroom cultivation operation. All items along with a 2000 GMC truck and a 2009 Chrysler were forfeited. 3 parties were charged accordingly. The main dealer received a 3 year prison sentence.

Detectives assisted in the arrest of a male suspected of robbing Dollar Stores in Maple Heights, Bedford, Bedford Heights and Garfield Heights.

AUGUST

Information was received from Twinsburg Police that a male residing on E.86 St. was selling marijuana. This male was working community service in the Twinsburg Schools and was thought to be supplying students with marijuana. An informant made a controlled purchase from this male. A search warrant was executed with the assistance of Twinsburg detectives. Approx \$500 was found and included \$260 of police buy money. An ATM machine was found in a closet. The machine was found to contain 6 oz. of marijuana. The male was charged.

Controlled purchases of crack cocaine were made. Surveillance was conducted and Maple Heights PD conducted a traf stop. The suspects were in possession of crack cocaine, heroin and powder cocaine. A search warrant led to the seizure of \$400 and a hand gun.

Detectives along with a US Postal Inspector make a controlled delivery of marijuana to a Garfield Heights resident. The Marijuana was delivered. An anticipatory search warrant was in hand. The unopened parcel was located in the living room along with nearly 1,000 grams of marijuana in a kitchen cabinet and an airline boarding pass from Los Angeles California. A female was observed circling the area and was stopped by police. The female was identified and found to be the same female that was seen in surveillance video mailing the package in California. Both were charged.

SEPTEMBER

Controlled purchases of crack cocaine were made near Educational Alternatives School in Bedford. A buy bust was conducted and two men were arrested. A small amount of marijuana and \$1150 was seized.

Detectives opened another heroin case with a dealer that was arrested by SEALE for heroin sales in May. This time the dealer was found to be selling in Bedford. More controlled purchases were made and the dealer was arrested and had \$2020 in his possession. Heroin and a scale were found near the place of arrest. A search warrant was executed. Detectives located \$600 hidden in the basement rafters. \$10,000 was found in a kitchen drawer. All monies were seized and forfeited.

Controlled purchases of crack cocaine were made from a male residing in apartment on Lee Rd. in Maple Heights. Inve: led to purchases being made at the Lee/Harvard Plaza which is less than 1,000 feet of JFK High School. Two males were arrested and charged with trafficking with school specs.

OCTOBER

Controlled purchases of Percocet pills were made from a female that was employed in Solon. It was learned that she was also supplying fellow coworkers. She was stopped in Solon on the way to work. She was found to be in possession of additional pills. The female and husband were charged. Detectives seized a 2003 Ford Explorer and are seeking forfeiture. The case is pending.

Detectives learned that a male that had just been released from a 5 year prison sentence for a SNTF case was again selling crack cocaine in Maple Heights. Controlled purchases were made. An arrest and search warrant was executed. The male was found to have \$530 and 5.2 grams of crack cocaine in his possession. The male was quickly returned to prison.

Numerous complaints of drug trafficking were received from Clare Ave Apartment Complex. This drug dealing seriously affected the quality of life of the vast majority of law abiding residents. Detectives began a nearly one month investigation and witnessed the blatant drug trafficking in and around the apartments. Controlled purchases of crack cocaine and marijuana were made from three suspects residing in the building. SNTF and SWAT executed three search warrants. All three suspects were arrested and charged with drug trafficking.

NOVEMBER

A heroin investigation led detectives to a residence on E.61 St. During surveillance, cars were observed lining up on the street and waiting to be served by this drug dealer. Many of the cars were found to be from a number of the SEALE communities. Controlled purchases of heroin were made at this location. Detectives along with CPD Narcotics and SWAT executed a search warrant. The target along with two other males was found to be in the home. Crack cocaine was being cooked and guns were observed on the floor of the home as officers entered the home. A total of six guns along with a sawed off shotgun were seized. A search located approx. 60 grams of heroin and \$2700. The investigation led to a search warrant in Lakewood where an additional \$2900 was located. Police buy money was found during this search.

DECEMBER

Detectives received two crime stopper tips for a Garfield Heights man that was growing and selling marijuana. A trash p was conducted and revealed evidence of a grow operation. A search warrant was obtained and executed. The second floor of th home was found to contain the grow operation. Numerous plants in different stages of development were found. Approx. 210 grams of marijuana was found in the basement along with evidence of marijuana sales. Detectives seized approx. \$930 and eleven guns. The male resided within 1,000 feet of Trinity High School. The male will be charged accordingly pending BCI analysis.

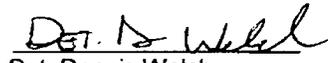
An informant made controlled purchases of heroin in Garfield Heights. While attempting to arrest the male, who had a pending drug case, the male rammed two undercover vehicles and escaped. Information was received through an informant tha the suspect had a girlfriend in a Garfield Heights apartment. Surveillance was conducted and detectives observed the suspect a female attempting to hide in another apartment. The suspect was arrested and found to be in possession of approx. \$2500 and keys to a rented vehicle in the parking lot. A search warrant was obtained for the car. A search revealed heroin, crack cocaine a approx. 241 grams of powder cocaine. The suspect was indicted with Major Drug Offender specs and faces a mandatory prison sentence.

Detectives currently have open and active cases for 4 heroin and 1 marijuana dealer. These cases will be completed in early 2013.

As you can see, the SNTF has completed 2012 with great success! The Unit looks forward to and will tackle the challenges that 2013 brings.

Respectfully Submitted,


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Det. Dennis Welch

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Det. Michael Griffis

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Calls for Service: 01/01/2012 Through 12/31/2012

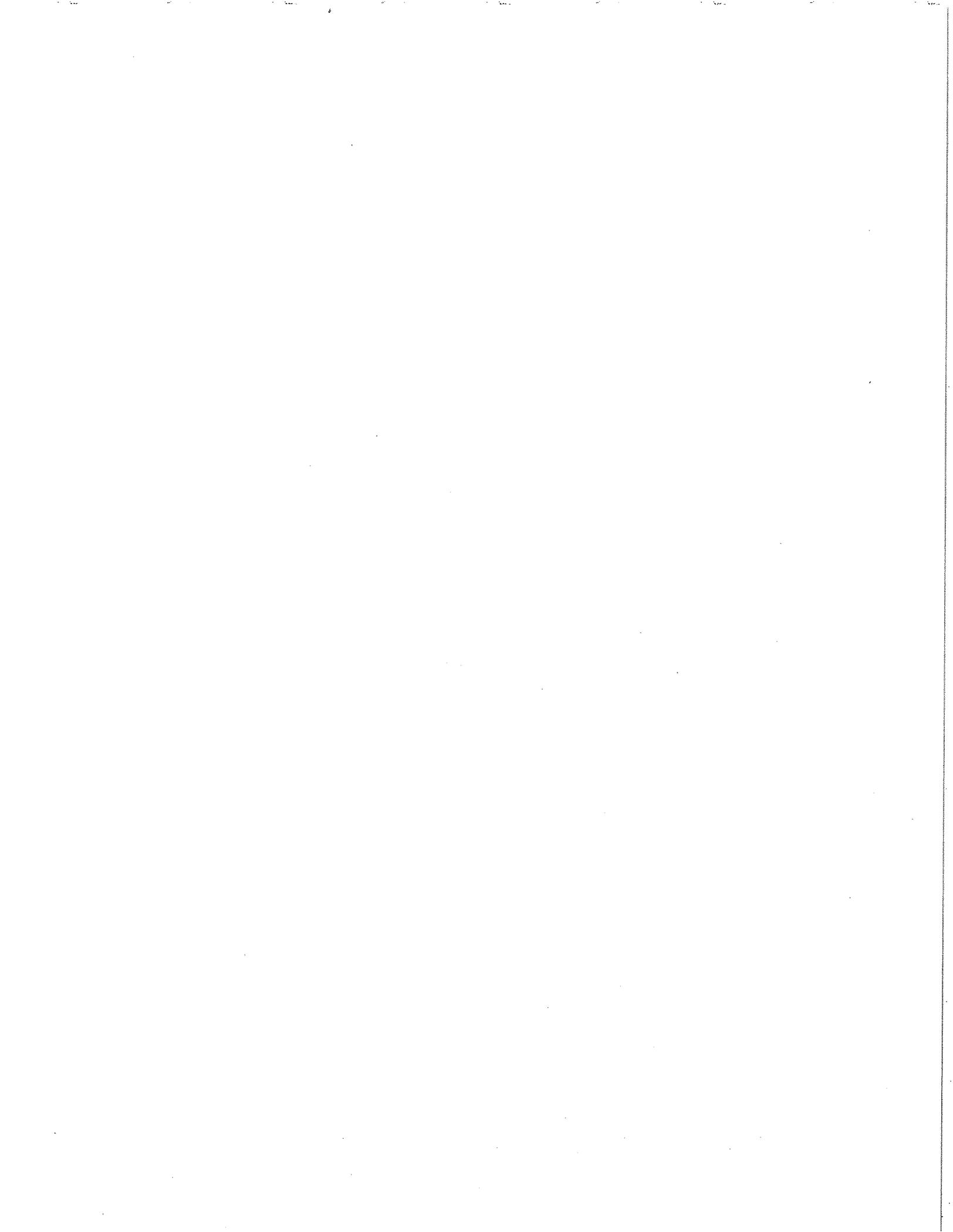
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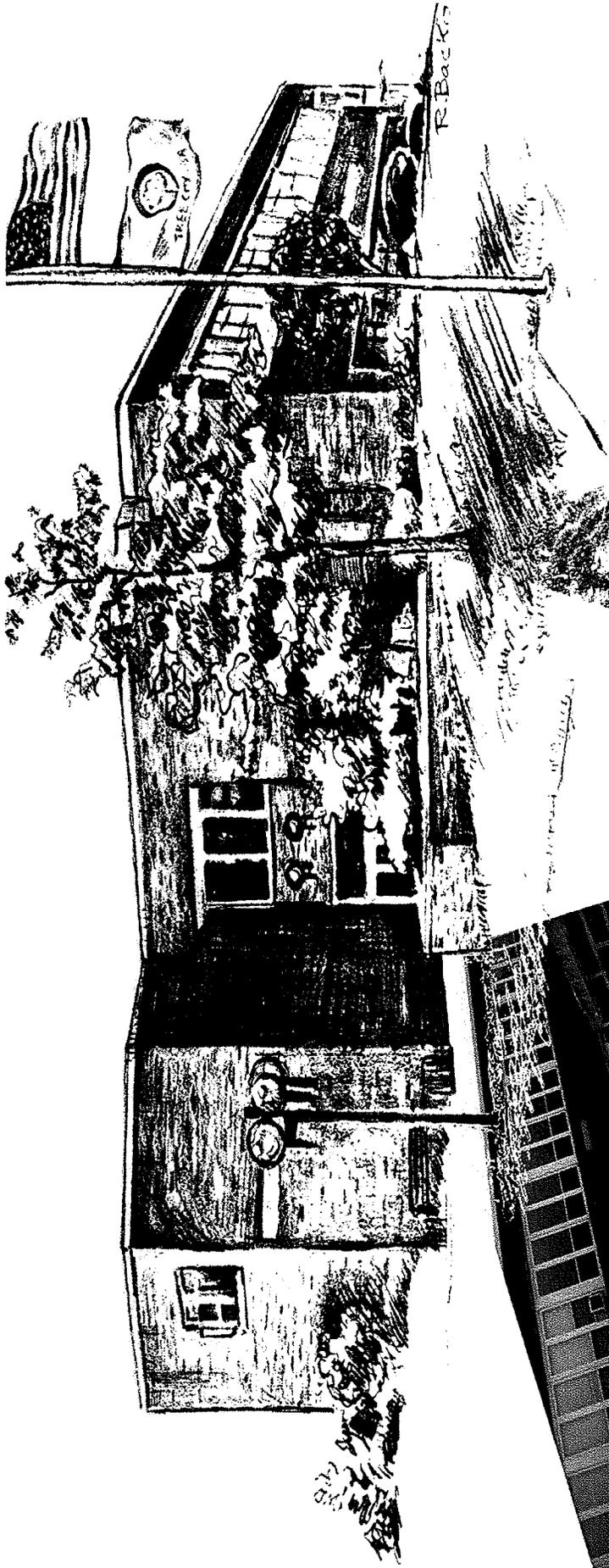
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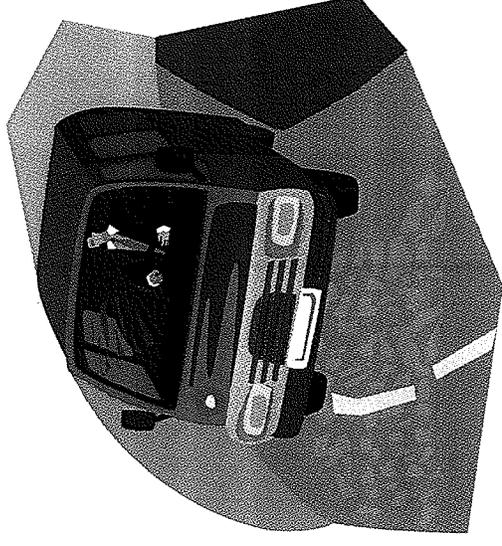
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PALMETTO TOT-LOT

****In June 2011 we received a \$35,000 grant from the Cuyahoga County Office of Development to replace the main playground toy at Palmetto. It was finished in Spring of 2012. The neighborhood children will have many years of enjoyment for the new playground toy.**

RECREATION FAST FACTS AND ACTIVITIES

- The Recreation Department maintains over 27 acres of property along with the baseball fields at various locations.
- In 2012, over 67,000 people utilized Ellenwood Center with permitted functions; this does not include open gym, or special events/activities.
- More than 30,000 individuals utilized the pavilion with permitted functions (does not include the open to the public uses)
- The Senior Citizen Van provided trips for over 2,700 residents, averaging almost 18 trips a day and logging over 15,800 miles in 2012.
- The Ellenwood Center was open for activities on 322 of 365 days in 201, almost 90% of the year.



BEDFORD SENIORS

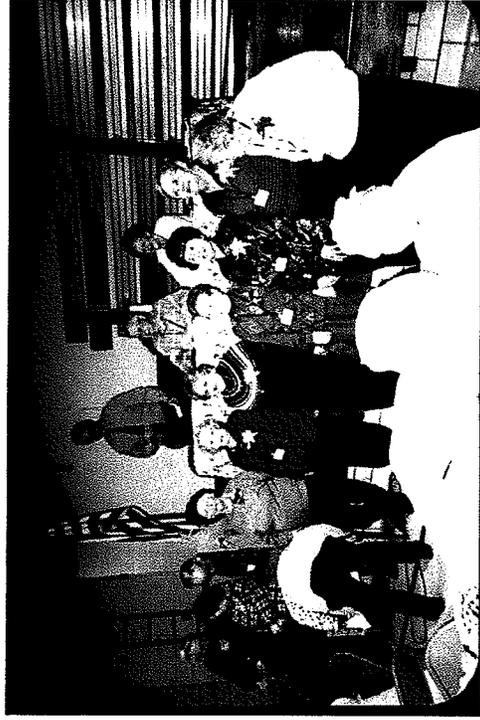
Ongoing Senior Programming

Senior Van Service - Our Senior van travels over a thousand miles a month to serve nearly 300 seniors. The van transports to doctors' visits, dialysis, shopping trips, personal and business appointments and hospital visits.

Senior Line Dancing - nearly 30 seniors gather each Monday morning to enjoy some exercise and to socialize. Another group meets on Thursday evenings to serve seniors who are still working.

Senior Chair Aerobics - nearly 40 seniors have fun shaping up with this low impact exercise class.

Craft Class - 12 seniors a month enjoy creating a simple yet interesting craft while visiting with their friends



SENIORS CONTINUED

Senior Movie Wednesdays – 25 seniors gather bi-monthly to enjoy some popcorn and a current or classic movie.

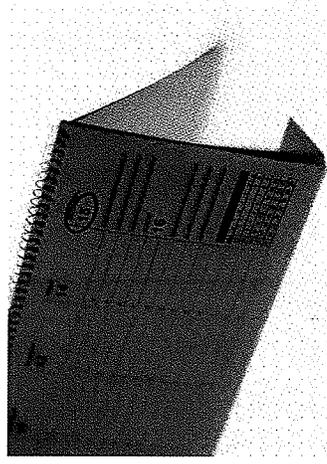
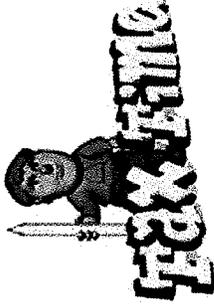
Medicare/Health Insurance Counseling - through the Ellenwood Center nearly 75 seniors received helpful advise and assistance in choosing medical and health care plans through Medicare and the private sector. Many seniors also received help to complete HEAP applications to lower their utility bills.

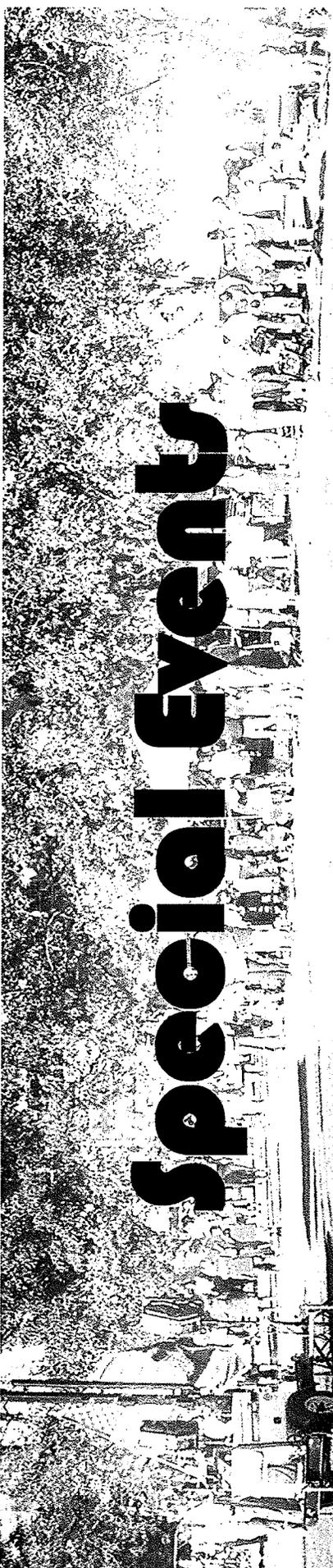
WII Bowling – Several dozen senior residents have enjoyed participating in our newly-organized WII bowling league this past year at Ellenwood. One senior is currently holding a 241 pin average! Plans are underway to begin play with WII Golf or WII Baseball in the coming year.

Seniors cont.....

Income Tax Assistance

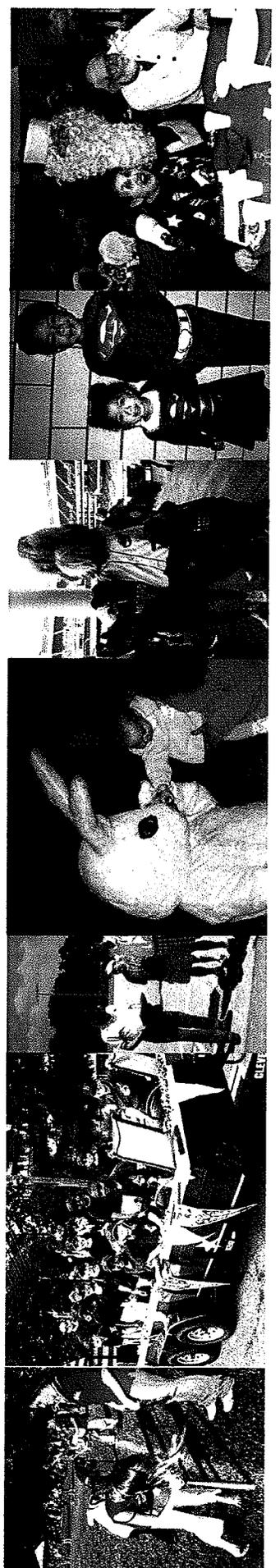
Beginning in February, 170 area seniors received free tax filing assistance at the Ellenwood Center. Trained AARP volunteers provided this excellent and needed service to our seniors



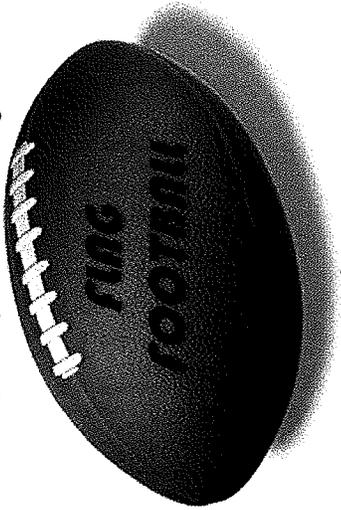


Special Events

- Easter Egg Hunt
- Baseball Days
- Memorial Day coordination
- Progressive Field
- Fourth of July Parade participation
- Halloween Party
- Men's Golf Outing
- Christmas Party
- Senior Picnic
- Food Commodity Distribution



54 participants in fall league



55 participants on swim
275 participants in swimming lessons (63% increase)

YOUTH SPORTS



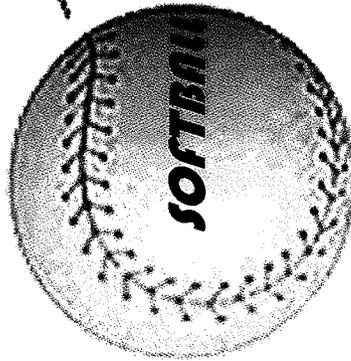
232 participants in spring league
162 participants in fall league



558 participants in summer rec. league
1 summer travel team



165 participants in instructional program (12% increase)



96 participants in summer rec. league

Additions to Youth Basketball

- We were at full capacity for a third year in a row.
- We had our third year of a Pee Wee division in our instructional basketball program for ages 6 and 7.
- Weekly awards are given to players leading in stats and demonstrating sportsmanship and improvement.
- Three junior students from Trinity High School fulfilled their service project hours by instructing and coaching our youth.



Our Extended Family

- Our youth sports program's integrity is influenced by our retention of outstanding volunteers.
- Our coaches teach mechanics and exemplify the "spirit of the game."
- Our coaches provide life-lessons of success, failure, teamwork, confidence and sportsmanship in any game.
- We had 49 volunteer head coaches and over one hundred assistant coaches and active parents.
- Of these 49 coaches, 21 manage multiple teams and multiple sports.
- We've added 19 new head coaches to our program this year.
- Our head coaches are required to have a background check.

Our family continued...

- One of our program priorities was to formally recognize and appreciate our coaches and volunteers.
- We had two picnics and one dinner in which the Commissioner and Administration grilled, served, and entertained our VIPs.
- We had guessing games and raffles in which we gave away Indians tickets, Ohio sport shirts, gift certificates, a soccer camp scholarship, Party in the Park leftovers and the favorite... City of Bedford oven mitts!

One final thought.....

With the exception of the Water and Tax Departments whose primary interaction with residents comes as a result of paying a bill, the Recreation Department personally touches the lives of more residents, infants through seniors, than any other department in the city. We strive diligently throughout the year to create community and to improve the quality of life in Bedford through our people, parks and programs.

