# South Brunswick Police Department



Moving Forward with Tradition and Honor

2006

Annual Report

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#### A Message from Chief Raymond J. Hayducka

The South Brunswick Police Department is compromised of 82 dedicated sworn men and woman, and 26 civilians that provide a wide range of services to the residents and businesses located within the Township. We provide service for approximately 44,000 residents and 1,158 registered businesses.

In the year 2006, our staff continued to make strides in increasing our community based policing and increasing efficiency and effectiveness. The agency has and always will strive to improve the quality of life for all that reside and work in South Brunswick Township. This agency is dedicated to making sure all services are being provided in an efficient and effective manner by:

- 1. Delivering progressive and cost effective law enforcement services.
- 2. Maintaining high standards of excellence utilizing training and technology.
- 3. Identify and meet the challenges of an increasingly diverse community.
- 4. Seeking input and feedback from citizenry and employees.
- 5. Maintaining a safe community through crime prevention, aggressive traffic and criminal law enforcement.

Traffic Safety and law enforcement continues to be an agency priority. Our level of enforcement will continue to rise however, this will be a challenge. Our township continues to grow and our calls for service grew by 13 percent in 2006. There were over 642 fatalities on New Jersey roadways in 2006. The South Brunswick Police Department is committed to doing its part to reduce that number for 2007.

One of the highlights of this agency was our traffic enforcement programs. We were able to purchase two motorcycles and conduct numerous aggressive driving details throughout 2006. Many enforcement details and equipment purchases were made possible by securing state and federal grants. Over 100,000 dollars in grants were obtained and applied to our enforcement efforts. We plan to aggressively pursue these grants again in 2007. Our goal is to continue our success and ensure safety on the roadways in South Brunswick Township.

This agency is committed to giving the public and all employees input into the police department. The Administration of this police agency believes that the participation of all staff, sworn and civilian should provide input into the agency. The South Brunswick Police Department and all of law enforcement face many challenges in the upcoming years. With increased demands on law enforcement in general and tight fiscal restraints, it will be a challenge to continue to provide the high quality of police service the residents of South Brunswick Township have grown accustomed too. However, I am confident that this can be accomplished with public cooperation and the fine men and woman that are dedicated to serving South Brunswick Township.

As Chief of Police, I am extremely proud of the sworn and civilian members of the department. Their commitment to the police department and community are second to none. I also recognize that this agency cannot fight crime and improve the quality of life without the assistance of the residents of South Brunswick Township. The citizens of the Township are our greatest asset and we recognize that they are an important component in helping us "protect and serve".

Raymond J. Hayducka Chief of Police

### Chapter I Organizational Overview

#### Personnel Changes

In 2006 our agency experienced numerous personnel changes. At years end, we had eighty-two sworn officers. Personnel changes were as follows:

New	Hires
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Ryan Bonura	January 9	Officer
Jason Gassman	January 9	Officer
Michael Leung	January 9	Officer
Joseph Marrero	January 9	Officer
George Vit	February 14	Officer

Richard Domotor March 27 Telecommunicator P/T

Louis Braconi May 1 Telecommunicator Supervisor

Ryan Degraw June 1 Telecommunicator P/T
Andrew VanEmburgh June 1 Telecommunicator P/T
James Deery June 7 Telecommunicator
Cassandra Heffner September 14 Telecommunicator P/T

Michael Hallman September 21 Officer Monica Posteraro September 21 Officer

**Promotions** 

**Kevin Hughes** February 21 Deputy Chief James Kinard February 21 Lieutenant John McNamara February 21 Sergeant September 8 Harry Delgado Captain Joseph Charmello September 8 Lieutenant James Stoddard September 8 Sergeant

Transfer

Brian Keane April 24 Telecommunicator to Water & Sewer

Leave of Absence

Mark Montagna November 30 Captain

Resignation

Joanne Phillips January 3 Telecommunicator P/T Stephanie Rampacek January 14 Telecommunicator P/T James Deery February 17 Telecommunicator P/T Steve Booke August 27 Telecommunicator Brooke Hackworth September 15 Telecommunicator P/T

Monica Posteraro September 20 Telecommunicator (Became sworn officer)

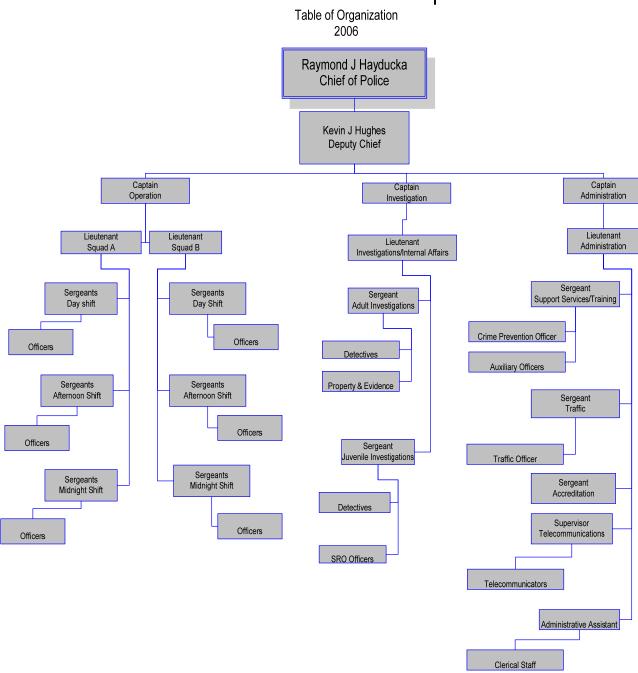
Mark Fellner September 29 Telecommunicator P/T

Retirements

Martin Conte May 1 Officer
Martha Silva August 23 Clerical
Steve Walrond September 1 Officer
Greg Rule December 31 Detective

#### Organizational Chart

### South Brunswick Police Department



#### **Budget**

The Police Department's budget is compromised of salary and wage (S&W) and operating expenses (O&E). The S&W budget includes police officers, dispatchers, and civilian employees. The O&E budget is compromised of line items consisting of equipment, supplies, training, service contracts, and program expenses. The below chart is a comparison of the 2006 expenditures with the 2005 expenditures.

Activity	Year   Total Operating Budget		Total Grant Funds
		(excluding grant funds)	
1. Total actual expenditures	2005	\$ 8,410,173	\$ 136,383
(prior year)			
a. salaries and wages		\$ 8,196,103	\$ 125,000
a. police		7,585,198	125,000
b. dispatch		610,905	
b. operating expenses		\$ 214,070	\$ 11,383
a. police		200,206	11,383
b. dispatch		13,864	
2. Total actual expenditures	2006	\$ 8,948,792	\$ 205,708
(current year)			
a. salaries and wages		\$ 8,676,700	\$
a. police		7,995,178*	
b. dispatch		681,350	
b. operating expenses		\$ 272,092	\$ 205,708
a. police		252,800	205,708
b. dispatch		19,292	

In 2006, our police overtime decreased \$76,511.00 from 2005.

#### Forfeiture

Forfeiture monies are acquired through the seizure of property and assets used in the commission of a crime or resulted as the profit from criminal activity. This money is then strictly allocated for Law Enforcement purposes and is carefully overseen by the Middlesex County Prosecutor. Accounting for the forfeiture fund for 2006 was as follows:

•	January 1, 2006 balance	\$54,828.92
•	Funds received in 2006	\$268,180.20
•	Funds expended in 2006	\$41,891.08
•	Interest received in 2006	\$12,776.76
•	Ending Balance for 2006	\$293,894.80

#### Grants

The Department received additional funds in 2006 from the following grants:

Drunk Driving Enforcement Grant \$6,006.71 NJ Ballistic Replacement Grant \$6,783.14

Click It or Ticket seat belt enforcement grant	\$4,000.00
Buffer Zone Protection Plan Grant	\$49,003.80
9-1-1 Grant	\$37,079.00
Aggressive Driving Enforcement Grant	\$19,300.00
Federal BZP Grant	\$ 5,292.34
NJDOT Highway Safe Corridors Grant	<u>\$73,000.00</u>
Total	\$205,707.67

Note an additional \$10,000.00 CEDAP equipment grant and \$30,000.00 for Safe Routes to School Grants were applied for in 2006 but have not been awarded to date.

#### **Projects**

Our agency completed three major capital projects in 2006.

- The New Jersey Attorney Generals Office has mandated that all interviews and interrogations involving first, second or third degree crimes be electronically recorded. To comply with this order the Police Department constructed a new Interview Room. The room was designed to be sound proof and conducive to interviews. The interview room is equipped with the ability for both digital audio and video recordings. Numerous interviews were conducted during 2006.
- A Motorcycle Unit has been put in motion and the motorcycles have been ordered from Harley Davidson. Pfc. Dale Owens and Ptl. Frank Mongalieri were selected as the first two Motorcycle Officers for the Department and successfully completed the rigorous Motorcycle Officer training in Texas. This program was funded in part by a Safe Corridors Grant from the State of New Jersey.
- Digital cameras were purchased to replace some of our older Mobile Video Recorders.

#### Quasi Duty

South Brunswick Police Officers worked 8258.75 hours of billable quasi duty hours and 763 hours of non-billable quasi-duty in the year 2006. This is an increase of 1657.25 hours over 2005. The Township received approximately \$61,936 dollars from quasi duty work for 2006. This is an increase of \$12,425 over 2005.

#### Committees

During 2006, I empanelled three committees to address the following issues:

#### • Awards Committee

Captain Patrick J Owens was assigned as the Chairman for the Awards Committee. The committee reviews all cases and submits recommendations for awards. The awards are distributed to recipients at the Annual Police Awards Dinner. This year the following awards were given:

Life Saving Award (4) Medal of Valor (3) Letter of Commendation (4)

Citizen Award (3)

Physical Fitness Award (1)

Education Award (2)

Auxiliary Award (1)

Sick Time Recognition (11)

Firearms Award Top Gun (1)

Firearms Expert (4)

Sharpshooter (10)

Marksman (14)

Top Squad (9)

#### • Forfeiture Committee

Lieutenant Jim Kinard was assigned as the Chairman for the Forfeiture Committee. I approved the spending of \$50,000 dollars from the forfeiture account for equipment. The Forfeiture Committee reviewed all aspects of the agency and made recommendations. I approved the use of forfeiture funds for the below items:

Honor Guard uniforms

Range Instructor uniforms

Emergency Response Team (ERT) uniforms and equipment

Patrol uniforms and equipment

#### • <u>Technology Committee</u>

Captain Patrick J Owens was assigned as Chairman for the Technology Committee. The committee was tasked with reviewing our current technology and recommending improvements. This past year an emphasis was placed on reviewing, evaluating and selecting a new computer system for the police department. Our current vendor, Archonix (Formerly DMData), advised us that within the next two to four years they would no longer support our current police computer software (CPLIMS). CPLIMS is used in all the bureaus of the police department e.g. Records, Dispatch, Traffic, Investigations etc. CPLIMS was originally purchased in 1981. Upgrades and patches (repairs) have been made during the past twenty-five years. During 2006 the department's Technology Committee evaluated several potential replacements. We invited all employees of the police department to attend each demonstration and solicited their input. After careful consideration the Technology Committee recommended ENFORSYS as the vendor to replace Archonix.

### Chapter II Operations Command

The Operations Command is led by a Captain. It oversees the Patrol Division and provides leadership, expertise, and appropriate resources that support line operations in addressing crime, solving problems and improving the quality of life in our community. The Operations Command works coactively with citizens as well as officers to enhance Community Policing throughout South Brunswick Township.

The Patrol Division is comprised of Patrol Officers and Sergeants. Patrol officers are the first to respond to all emergencies and service calls. In addition, the Patrol Division is responsible for patrol activities, traffic related activities, selective enforcement details, and security checks for commercial and residential properties. The Patrol Division works co-actively with the citizens of our community in an effort to improve the quality of life for all in South Brunswick Township.

Officers in Patrol are scheduled on a seniority based bid system. Each officer bids on a shift and schedules are established for a six month period. Officers bid twice a year. Patrol works a three-on/three-off schedule. The hours of operation are day-shift (6:30 AM to 5:00 PM), afternoon-shift (2:00 PM to 12:30 AM), and night-shift (10:00 PM to 8:30 AM). During the year 2006, the Patrol Division was comprised of 2 lieutenants, 11 sergeants and 41 patrolmen. The division is divided into two squads with each squad further broken down into three shifts.

In 2006 we were able to fulfill my commitment of putting more officers on the street with the addition of five previously certified police officers being hired by the agency in January. This special hiring put the officers out on patrol, "road ready", about six months earlier than the conventional hiring process would have.

The department handled approximately 42,684 calls for service which was an increase of approximately 13% from 2005. The day shift handled 16,099 calls, the afternoon shift handled 16,289 calls and the midnight shift handled 10,296 calls. In order to handle the ever increasing number of calls for service and for officer safety, the minimum manpower levels for patrol were raised to six on two of the three shifts. This was the first increase in road coverage in over 25 years.

#### Patrol Division Squad A

The "A" side of patrol issued approximately 4153 motor vehicle summonses in addition to their daily duties. These duties involve response to calls, directed patrols, security checks and traffic related incidents.

In addition, officers on the "A" side perform the following duties outside of the normal patrol function:

- 5 Field Training Officers
- 2 Evidence Technicians
- 5 Emergency Response Team Members
- 1 Domestic Violence Liaison
- 2 Gang Intelligence Officer

#### Patrol Division Squad B

The "B" side of patrol issued approximately 4520 motor vehicle summonses during the year in addition to their daily duties.

In addition, officers on the "B" side perform the following duties outside of the normal patrol function:

- 8 Field Training Officers
- 4 Evidence Technicians
- 4 Emergency Response Team Members
- 1 Domestic Violence Liaison
- 1 Gang Intelligence Officer

#### **Noteworthy Cases:**

- On 1/8/06 during a follow up investigation of a domestic violence incident patrol officers found a resident of Yorktown Road to be in possession of a 357 Handgun and Hollow Point Bullets. The actor was arrested and charged.
- On 2/21/06 officers responded to the Econo Lodge located on Route 130 for the report of an assault with a knife. Upon arrival officers located the victim who had been stabbed by his brother during an argument. The actor was arrested at the scene and the victim was treated for his injuries which were non life threatening.
- During early March 2006 a series of burglaries occurred to vehicles in Kingston, in the area of the canal. The ensuing investigations lead to the arrest of a township resident which closed 3 cases in South Brunswick.
- On 5/6/06 officers responded to a fight in progress call at Banditos Restaurant. Arriving Units encountered an unruly crowd. While attempting to disperse the group several individuals assaulted Officer Tara Jairdullo and Officer Michael LaPoint. During the arrest of one individual, a second assaulted Officer LaPoint by jumping on his back. Additional officers were able to move the crowd from the area and ultimately the actors were charged with assault on a Police Officer and disorderly conduct.
- On 6/4/06 Officer Frank Mongalieri responded to the Lakewood Court Motel on the report of an assault. During the course of his investigation Officer Mongalieri identified the actor as another motel tenant who forced entry to the victim's room, assaulted him, and robbed him of cash and his cell phone. After the property was recovered in the actor's room he was arrested and charged.

- On 7/28/06 an employee of a local hotel reported an incident of criminal sexual contact that occurred while she was working the previous day. The victim reported a co-worker attempted to kiss her and forced his hand into the front of her pants, attempting to fondle her. The actor was identified, a warrant was issued, and he was subsequently arrested near his apartment in Hightstown.
- On 8/01/06 officers were assisted by the county Special Operations Response Team (SORT) in the serving of a search warrant and arrest warrant out of Monroe Twp. The actor had previously threatened serious bodily harm to victims and was suspected of arson in Pennsylvania.
- On 8/04/06 an elderly female was the victim of a scam where a substantial amount of cash was stolen. Investigation by patrol and canvassing of the neighborhood was conducted. Security measures were also given to the victim.
- On 8/06/06 an aggravated assault with a knife occurred at a party being held in a township residence. An actor was identified by patrol and later arrested at his residence.
- On 8/20/06 the attendants of the Gas Station located at Raymond and Route 1 reported being assaulted and robbed by several individuals. The actors assaulted one attendant with a metal sign post and punched the other. Patrol officers secured a perimeter and K-9 Units from Franklin PD and the State Police assisted in the search with negative results.
- On 9/23/06 while responding to a report of a disorderly, intoxicated male outside a residence on Texas Ave, Officer Michael LaPoint was assaulted by the actor. The individual then began resisting the attempts to handcuff him. He was later treated by Kendall Park First Aid and Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital for injuries sustained during the struggle to arrest him. After being medically cleared at RWJUH, he was transferred to the Middlesex County Adult Correction Center (MCACC) in lieu of \$10,000.00 bail.
- On 9/29/06 officers responded to a motor vehicle complaint at the Red Roof Inn located on Route 1. As a result of their investigation it was determined that the incident was an aggravated assault with a motor vehicle, during which the actor attacked the victim with the vehicle.
- In September two individuals from Monroe Township, were arrested for possession of CDS and possession with intent to distribute after officers responded to a suspicious persons call at Dallenbach Sand Company on Rhode Hall Rd. Investigation found the two suspects were growing marijuana plants on the company's property.

- On 10/12/06 five people were arrested by patrol officers for theft and possession of stolen property. Over \$3,000 in perfume, stolen from Market Source, was recovered.
- On 10/16/06 a female customer of the Valero Gas Station reported that upon obtaining gas at the station an attendant reached into her vehicle, attempted to kiss her and fondled her breast. The actor was arrested and charged with criminal sexual contact and was released pending court appearance.
- On 11/6/06 a township resident was reported by his mother as paranoid and suicidal. He was believed to be traveling Route 1, in her vehicle, toward West Windsor. While advising Plainsboro of the vehicle description it was learned they had the vehicle stopped for a motor vehicle violation. The driver fled the scene at a high rate of speed before fleeing on foot in West Windsor. The driver was located a short time later and was taken into custody by Plainsboro on criminal charges. The driver was transported to UMDNJ for evaluation/commitment.
- On 11/11/06 officers responded to a report of a burglary in progress at the club house located in the Four Seasons complex. Responding officers found the actors still in the building and arrested a total of 11 individuals. (2) Adults and 9 juveniles were charged with burglary, criminal mischief, and underage drinking.
- 11/04/06 officers responded and handled a report of two juveniles being forced to have sexual intercourse on several occasions. The suspect forced the two to perform the acts at knifepoint.
- On 11/29/06 the resident of Dickinson Road reported that during a verbal dispute his son displayed a handgun. The actor fled as police arrived. Ten officers established a perimeter around the area. Franklin Police Department's K-9 unit was called and tracked the suspect behind the homes on Dickinson Road. Officer Schwarz located a Smith and Wesson BB gun in the bushes where the dog tracked. The suspect was not located at the time and was subsequently charged with weapons possession.
- On 12/01/06 a vehicle traveling north on Route 535 struck a Costco tractor trailer, head on, north of Stults Road The driver of the minivan was extricated and flown to Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital via New Jersey State Police Medivac. A very large debris field with fluids on the roadway required an extensive clean-up, a 6 hour operation. The minivan driver was found to have two broken femurs and a crushed pelvis.
- On 12/13/06 officers responded to CVS Pharmacy located in Kendall Park on the report of a fraudulent prescription for Oxycotin. Investigating officers identified a resident of North Umberland Way as the actor, who subsequently confessed to forging prescriptions from her place of employment, a local doctor's office.

- On 12/17/06 officers responded to the LaMirage Motor Inn on the report of an assault in progress. Arriving officers found a large group of individuals assaulting a cab driver who had refused to take the group to New Brunswick. The actors fled on foot but were subsequently apprehended and charged with assault and robbery.
- On 12/23/06 employees of Sunshine Bouquet opened a shipment of flowers originating from Columbia. At that time they discovered approximately 700grams of heroin inside the shipment. No suspects have been identified at this time.

## Chapter III Investigations Command

The Investigation's Command is led by Captain Patrick J Owens and provides leadership, expertise, and appropriate resources that support the investigation of adult, juvenile, narcotics, and internal affairs investigations. The Investigative Division's primary goal is to improve the quality of life for the residents, businesses, and visitors in the Township of South Brunswick by conducting thorough follow up investigations aimed at the detection, arrest, and conviction of offenders for crimes against both persons and property.

The division is broken down into two Bureaus, the Detective Bureau and the Juvenile Bureau. In addition the Division has two units, Property Evidence and School Resource Officers (SRO's). The two Bureaus are comprised of fifteen sworn personnel and four clerical staff. The success of Investigations is based upon a concept of team work. The officers within the Division are dedicated to the apprehension and arrest of suspects. Using all resources when needed, there is a group effort in which all officers are expected to contribute. The highest standard of professionalism is expected from all officers and civilians within Investigations.

#### **Detective Bureau**

During 2006, the Investigation Division continued to utilize a team effort in solving crimes. This team effort consists of cross training and assignments based on case management. This philosophy has maximized our resources among all Units. It has also helped with the position of using a team effort to solve crimes and present the strongest case possible in a Court of Law.

#### Juvenile Bureau

In 2006 the Juvenile Bureau handled five hundred forty five (545) cases, an increase of fifteen (15) percent over 2005. Cases involving juveniles will undoubtedly increase as the population in our town and schools grows. The extra effort the Patrol Division has made when dealing with juveniles on the road has made it possible for the Investigative Division to handle the increased workload without sacrificing the high level of attention and professionalism needed when investigating serious crimes committed against children, such as sexual assaults which have also increased.

#### **Noteworthy Cases**

• On 01/04/06 The Arch Electrical Company located at 21B Commerce Drive reported a theft of electrical wire and smoke detectors valued at \$90,000.00. The company also suspected the theft was carried out by employees. One employee with knowledge of the theft approached Detective. James Ryan with information on employees who were involved. Detective. Ryan had the employee wear a wire and record conversations with the other employees. The results of the taped conversations gave Detective. Ryan probable cause to interrogate the employees. The interrogation resulted in confessions from four (4) employees who were subsequently arrested and charged with theft.

- On 1/21/06 an unknown actor became involved in a verbal confrontation with a 15 year old male juvenile in Nassau Square. The actor struck the victim in the side of the head with a handgun and then left in a vehicle. Detective John Klemas and Detective James Ryan developed information leading to the identity of the actor. Arrest and search warrants were approved. On 1/25/06 the actor was arrested by members of the South Brunswick Emergency Response Team. The handgun was recovered at the actors' residence hidden between his box spring and mattress.
- On 02/17/06 South Brunswick detectives teamed with members of the Middlesex County Prosecutors Office and the New Jersey State Police to conduct a high risk arrest on a wanted fugitive from Pennsylvania.
- On 2/20/06 the father of a 9 year old girl reported that his daughter was the victim of a sexual assault. The suspect was the victim's uncle. The victim was interviewed about the incident. Arrest and search warrants were approved. On 2/22/06 the actor was arrested at his residence and charged with aggravated sexual assault. The matter was investigated by Detective John Klemas in conjunction with the Middlesex County Prosecutors Office Sex Crimes Unit.
- On 2/21/06 two male juveniles were confronted by what they described as two male juvenile suspects approximately 15 years old in the area of Constable School. The victims stated that the juvenile suspects asked for cell phones and money and when the victims stated that they had neither the suspects by force attempted to take their skateboards. One victim provided the name of a potential suspect but hesitated at a positive identification during a second interview. The father of the named suspect would not cooperate with this investigation
- On 2/28/06 a male resident reported at that his wife left for India with their one year old son on 12/5/05 to visit her ill mother and he has subsequently received communications from her indicating that she would not be returning. The juvenile was entered as missing in NCIC. This department has also coordinated its efforts with Interpol, USNCB and the U.S. State Department resulting in the issuance of a "Yellow Notice" and "Blue Notice". Intrerpol, New Dehli made contact and confirmed location and as of this date the juvenile is with his mother in Pune, India. Legal proceedings are underway in Indian courts.
- On 2/28/06 Detective Donald S. Varga was assigned to investigate the report of an aggravated assault with a weapon. Detective Varga conducted the on-scene coordination efforts by the investigation bureau and patrol bureau. The situation that occurred was two brothers were left alone in a room at the Econo Lodge on Route 130. They began to argue and a fight ensued. The younger of the two brothers (age 14) obtained a steak knife and stabbed his brother multiple times in the chest and hand. He then fled the scene taking then weapon with him. A search for the actor and weapon was initiated and both the suspect and weapon were found. The older brother was taken to Robert Wood Johnson University

Hospital. The younger brother was placed into the Middlesex County Juvenile Detention Center.

- On 03/23/06 this agency took multiple reports from township residents for theft from their mailboxes. Detective Greg Rule was assigned the investigation. After several of the stolen items were used fraudulently Detective Rule developed a suspect. After interrogating the suspect she confessed to theft, fraud and forgery and implicated another person. The second person was located, interrogated and subsequently confessed as well. Both actors were arrested and charged with theft, fraud and forgery.
- On 04/20/06 a three week long narcotics investigation by Detectives John Avalone and Detective James Ryan resulted in the execution of a search warrant in the Oakdale Village Mobile Home Park. The search yielded 37 decks of heroin, crack cocaine, marijuana and drug paraphernalia. During the search, a resident of the park was arrested after a brief standoff with members of our Emergency Response Team (ERT) for possession of a loaded 357 magnum handgun.
- On 5/3/06 a 14 year old male was found to be in possession of a knife at Crossroads North Middle School. The knife, which appeared to be a small handgun functioned as a lighter, but when a button was depressed an approximately 1" blade extended from the tip. The weapon was seized by the School Resource Officer and the juvenile transported to South Brunswick Police Department's headquarters and after processing released to a parent. Subsequent investigation determined that although there was no assault or threat associated with this incident the suspect had been carrying and showing the weapon in the building for an extended period of time. Juvenile delinquency complaints signed for possession of a weapon in an educational institution.
- On 05/22/06 a male walked into the Sun National Bank located at 3534 Route 27 and handed the bank teller a note. The note stated that he had a gun and she was to put all the money from her drawer into a bag. The teller complied and the male left the bank with the money. Detective James Ryan with assistance from the FBI identified the suspect from a bank surveillance camera. The suspect was found to be a serial bank robber who was previously incarcerated for the same offense. The male was charged and subsequently arrested in Highland Park on the warrant.
- On 06/03/06 patrol officers responded to a motor vehicle collision in which a car struck an apartment building in the Royal Oaks Apartment Complex. The initial investigation revealed the driver of the vehicle had been involved in a domestic dispute with her husband just prior to the accident. Detective Christopher Giampietro responded to the scene and continued the investigation. After interviewing both the driver and her husband it was revealed that the driver's intention was to run her husband over with her vehicle. The driver was charged with Aggravated Assault.

- On 6/8/06 a 5 year old female reported to her grandmother that she was the victim of a sexual assault. The suspect was the victims' biological father. An arrest warrant was approved after the victim was interviewed. The actor fled the area and was located at a hotel in Sayreville where he was arrested. In January 2007 he was sentenced to 150 days in jail and 2 years probation. The investigation was conducted by Detective John Klemas in conjunction with the Middlesex County Prosecutors Office Sex Crimes Unit.
- On 6/11/06 a 16 year old female victim reported that her ex-boyfriend came to her house and attempted to sexually assault her. An arrest warrant for criminal sexual contact and criminal restraint was authorized by Judge Michael Dowgin after the victim and witnesses were interviewed. On 6/13/06 the 19 year old actor was arrested at his residence in Franklin Township. A videotaped interview was conducted and the actor admitted to attempting to sexually assault the victim. The Middlesex County Grand Jury indicted him for sexual assault. This investigation was conducted by Detective Ronald Seaman and Detective John Klemas.
- On 08/06/06 a township resident attended a party at a friend's home on New Road. During the party there was a verbal altercation between the resident and another male from Jamesburg. The altercation escalated and the Jamesburg resident stabbed the victim three times in the upper torso and arms. The victim was transported to the hospital where he was treated and released. The Jamesburg resident was arrested a short time later at his residence, charged with aggravated assault, processed and lodged in the Middlesex County Adult Corrections Center in default of \$20,000.00 bail.
- On 8/30/06 officers responded to the area of the Quincy Circle basketball courts on a report of an assault. The 16 year old male victim identified a 16 year old male juvenile as the suspect. Both are students at South Brunswick High School and have a previous history of disputes. The victim was transported to St. Peter's Hospital by Monmouth Junction First Aid and subsequently underwent surgery for multiple fractures to his jaw. Subsequent investigation determined that as the victim was walking on Quincy Circle, the suspect exited a vehicle and punched the unsuspecting victim in the jaw. Juvenile delinquency complaints signed for aggravated assault, harassment and disorderly conduct.
- On 09/16/06 a female reported that she parked her vehicle in the lot of the Stop & Shop food store. When she exited her vehicle she observed a male parked next to her masturbating in his vehicle. The male left the area but the female recorded the license plate. Detective James Ryan located the registered owner of the vehicle and interviewed him at police headquarters. The male admitted to exposing himself and masturbating in his vehicle with the purpose of being noticed by the female. Detective Ryan advised the male that we were also investigating two similar incidents which occurred in the Royal Oaks apartment complex where the male resides. The male confessed to those two acts as well. The male was arrested and charged with lewdness.

- On 10/10/06 Detective Donald S. Varga was assigned to investigate the report of an aggravated sexual assault to a 13 year old female. The incident was reported by friends of the victim. They had reported it to the staff of Crossroads Middle School who promptly contacted the South Brunswick Police. The actor was a South Brunswick High School student which lived within the same apartment complex as the victim. The initial report was that the actor forcefully had a sexual encounter with the victim while the victim's mother was not home. Upon investigation into the matter and all parties interviewed. The incident was confirmed to have happened, but was a consensual act. The female was taken to her pediatrician and examined.
- On 11/3/06 a 14 year old male reported that that he was "jumped" by eight male juveniles in the area of Promenade Boulevard. The victim indicated that while they were punching and kicking him they went through his pockets and took a wallet containing \$10 in cash and a cell phone. The victim stated that he was asked to come to the location of this incident by one of the suspects who he was able to identify by name and indicated that this individual was at one time a friend of his. Subsequent to the initial report the parent expressed reservations about pursuing this matter and would not cooperate with the investigation.
- On 11/23/06 Detective Donald S. Varga was assigned to a missing suicidal female. The female was currently taking medicine for depression but had not taken her medicine within the past week. The female was described as depressed with potential suicidal tendencies. The female left her residence in her car to go to the store and did not come home. It was verified that she made it to the store and that she did make a purchase and was alone while she was there. After a search of the Route 27 area of Kendall Park her vehicle was found at the Kendall Park Post Office. She had left her residence with \$100.00 in cash and her credit cards. The credit card companies were checked and no charges were made. No ATM transactions were either. She had her cell phone with her. She would not answer any calls. Detective Varga used her cell phone signal with the assistance of Verizon employees to determine that her cell phone was in New York City. An area of 2/10ths of a mile was coordinated from the cellular towers receiving the signal. Approximately one hundred hotels were contacted. This information was given to her family who were able to contact a friend that lived in this area and located the victim.
- On 11/24/06 PSE&G reported a theft from their substation at 26 Stouts Lane. The actors had cut the lock to the gate, entered the property and removed 50 pounds of copper wiring. In the process of stealing the wire the actors did considerable damage. The total cost for the theft and damage was approximately \$15,000.00. Detective Ronald Seaman determined the actors attempted to sell the wiring to a Trenton, NJ scrap yard. An employee of the scrap yard was able to positively identify two suspects; Detective Ronald Seaman had developed, through a photo

line up. The actors were interviewed and confessed to the crime. The actors were arrested and charged with burglary, theft and criminal mischief.

- On 11/29/06 Detective Donald S. Varga was assigned to investigate the report of a South Brunswick High School student that reportedly brought a handgun into the South Brunswick High School. The report was initiated by a South Brunswick High School Counselor which talked to the student and learned that he had sold narcotics in the past. The student would carry the firearm for "protection". A search of the student's locker was conducted and no weapon was found. The student had left school early after talking to the counselor due to an illness. He was at home with his parents when interviewed. A thorough in house computer check was conducted for prior incidents involving a weapon and for parental applications to purchase a firearm. None were found. A computer check was also conducted of all known associates of this juvenile for access to any weapons. Again, none were found. The suspect's residence was searched with the permission of his parents. During the interview of the actor it was determined that the student had made the story up. He was released to his parents.
- On 12/22/06 Detective John Avalone (currently assigned to the Middlesex County Narcotics Task Force) arrested a township resident during a motor vehicle stop for possession of cocaine. The stop was the result of a long investigation where confidential informants were utilized to make controlled purchases of CDS. Subsequent to the stop and arrest Detective Avalone executed a search warrant at the actor residence. The search revealed more illegal drugs along with several illegal hand guns. The actor was arrested, processed and lodged in the county jail on \$110,000.00 bail.
- In April 2006 Sergeant John McNamara was assigned to the Investigative Division as the Detective Sergeant.
- During 2006 Officer Ronald Seaman was assigned to the Investigative Division as a Detective.
- In May of 2006 Officer John Avalone was assigned to the Middlesex County Narcotics Task Force.
- Detective Ronald Seaman was trained in Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) investigations and will be conducting ABC inspections at all businesses that have a liquor license.

#### Internal Affairs

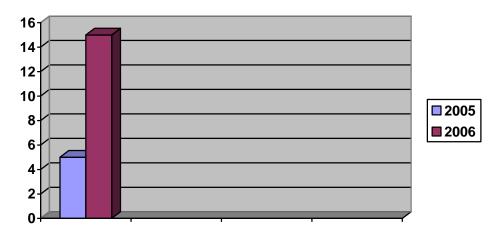
The South Brunswick Police Office of Professional Standards/Internal Affairs Investigations Bureau accepts, reviews, and responds to all complaints received from the public. Complaints may be made in person, by telephone or fax, or through the mail to The Office of Professional Standards. These include anonymous complaints, complaints from third party witnesses, and complaints from parties not directly involved in the

incident from which an allegation arises. Notwithstanding the occurrence of citizens requesting to withdraw a previously made complaint, the investigation is continued with or without the assistance of the citizen making the complaint. The investigative process assesses the propriety of all conduct during the incident in which the alleged misconduct occurred. If during the course of an investigation there is an indication that misconduct occurred other than that alleged, the Bureau also investigates the additional potential misconduct to its logical conclusion.

During 2006, 15 total incidents were reported by citizens compared to 5 in 2005. This represents a three fold increase in the number of reportable incidents received in the year 2006 over those received in 2005. The total amount of sworn officers has remained at 82 officers. During the year 2006 no officers were charged with criminal complaints.

In addition, during 2006, 27 supervisory investigations were conducted. The status of the total of 42 Internal Affairs Investigations is as follows:

- 15 Sustained w/Internal Disciplinary Action
- 14 Exonerated
- 1 Not Sustained
- 5 Unfounded
- 6 Administratively Closed
- 1 Pending (Awaiting result of criminal trial scheduled for April, 2007)



2 year comparison of citizen complaints

#### **Property and Evidence**

In December of 2006 Detective Greg Rule retired from the agency after 25 years of service. Detective Bob Carinci was reassigned from School Resource Officer to the Investigations Division as a Detective. Detective Carinci will succeed Detective Rule as the Property & Evidence Officer.

In December of 2006 the Property & Evidence Vault was audited for the purpose of transferring authority and access to Detective Carinci.

#### **School Resource Officers**

In June 2006, we ended the school year with three School Resource Officers' (SRO). Due to restructuring of manpower, the year ended with three SRO's; two assigned to South Brunswick High School and one for all other schools. The SRO's investigate crimes which occur on school property and assist school security personnel when requested. They patrol the parking lot and surrounding streets and enforce traffic laws when required in an effort to provide a safe environment for both vehicular and pedestrian traffic.

- <u>Noteworthy Cases:</u> On 2-16-06 there was a physical altercation between students at South Brunswick High School. Vice Principal Varela was injured during an attempt to restrain one of the participants. The 15 year old male student was arrested by SRO Robert Carinci and later released to his mother.
- On 5/5/06 employees at South Brunswick High School discovered "bomb threats" in two bathrooms. The school had to be evacuated and searched. This caused a loss of two hours of instruction time. On 5/8/06 two student actors were identified. They were arrested by SRO Robert Carinci, charged with terroristic threats and false public alarms. They were subsequently released to their parents pending a hearing in Family Court.
- On 12-11-06 SRO Jeffrey Russo was notified of a fight between two female students at South Brunswick High School. This fight was videotaped using a cell phone and it was posted on the "YouTube" website. SRO Russo contacted "YouTube" representatives and they agreed to remove the fight from their website although it somehow found its way back onto the website. Juvenile delinquency complaints were signed against two of the students involved.

#### Media Relations

Our agency currently has two officers assigned to provide Press Information, Detective James Ryan and Sergeant James Stoddard. These two officers do an outstanding job handling the demands of media relations for the Police Department. During the year they coordinated all press releases ranging from criminal activity to public relations. Their contact with the media included the following:

- 75 press releases were sent out in 2006
- Over 600 media inquiries were fielded last year.
- 4 press releases dealing with fatal motor vehicle accidents
- 2 press releases dealt with officers saving lives.

- 17 press releases dealing with proactive media coverage for the department from the youth academy, national night out, additional auxiliary officers, and promotions.
- Over 175 man hours were utilized to disseminate information to the public in 2006
- A large effort was made to highlight grants and aggressive driving efforts. The aggressive driving detail generated both print and television media coverage.
- There were 9 events that generated television news coverage from WABC, WNBC, WCBS, WWOR, FOX, and News 12.

Three newspaper editorials gave praise to the South Brunswick Police in 2006 for our neighborhood watch efforts and aggressive driving crackdown.

#### **Technology**

During 2006 we updated and improved the department's web-page. We are currently working with our web-hosting company to implement on-line reporting. On-line reporting will allow residents and business to report incidents of a minor nature. The use of on-line reporting should make it easier for the people we serve to file reports. In addition, it will reduce the amount of time our officers spend taking reports that can easily be submitted via the internet.

This year a new computer imaging system for police records was purchased and installed. This computer imaging system will be set up to interface with our new department computer system. This system allows us to attach reports and all other pertinent documents to a case number inquiry. These types of efficiencies decreases the number of hours used searching for records.

The year 2006 was an exciting year for advances in department technologies. We will continue through 2007 in upgrading and purchasing new technologies to increase efficiency and to be serve the people of South Brunswick Township.

### Chapter IV Administration Command

The Administration Command, led by Captain Harry J. Delgado, provides leadership, expertise and appropriate resources that support line operations in addressing crime, solving problems and improving the quality of life in our community. The Administration Command works coactively with citizens as well as officers to enhance Community Policing throughout South Brunswick Township. Administration oversees the following Division, Bureaus and Units:

#### **Support Services**

The Support Services Division is comprised of the Training Bureau, the Traffic Safety Bureau, the Community Services Bureau, Communications Bureau and the Clerical Bureau. All these sections combined provide the administrative and operational support functions for South Brunswick Police Department.

Other responsibilities include the overseeing of The Emergency Response Team (ERT), the Honor Guard Unit, Bicycle Patrol Unit, Auxiliary Officers, and Instructors.

#### Training

The Training Bureau coordinates various types of training for the members of the South Brunswick Police Department. This training includes academy training for recruits, CORE training (training based on specific assignment), in-service training for officers, roll call training for officers, and state mandated training, which includes firearms qualification, pursuit policy, Use of Force, Blood borne Pathogen, CPR/First Aid, and domestic violence.

Academy training for three new officers was arranged during 2006. We used Burlington County and Somerset County Academies.

2056.25 hours of in-service training were conducted in 2006. In-service training is used to hone and advance the skills of our police officers. This is an increase from 1100 hours in 2005.

CORE training has become a priority for the Training Bureau. CORE provides uniform training for officers based on the job they perform. Each position in the Police Department has a specific training criterion. There was 1677.5 hours of CORE training in 2006.

We provided over 3195 hours in state mandated training and 62.5 county mandated training hours.

Our Emergency Response Team took part in seven training sessions totaling over 693 hours of specialized training for the 12 member team.

Lastly, in 2006 all officers invested hundreds of hours working towards completion of the State mandated Virtual Academy for Emergency Responders and Roll Call Training.

Our total training hours for 2006 are 7684.25

#### Traffic Safety

The Traffic Bureau provided support to the Township by assisting the Planning, Zoning and Code Enforcement Departments. The Bureau conducted site plan reviews, inspections, and provided feedback and reports to the Township and to the public on engineering and construction projects.

During the year the Traffic Bureau coordinated joint enforcement details in conjunction with the New Jersey State Motor Vehicle Commission Commuter Van Inspection Team and Mobile Inspection Unit. There were 13 inspection checkpoints that identified assorted motor vehicle violations. 598 summonses were issued, as well as 69 vehicle impounded during these details in 2006.

The Bureau made extensive use of existing equipment such as the variable message board, speed trailer, and traffic laser. Delivery was taken on a new Trax-plus traffic counter. The software was installed and the system was first used to gather data for a project on Davidson's Mill Road. In addition the Traffic Services Bureau Officers has upgraded its digital camera equipment. Five new digital mobile recorders are soon to be delivered and installed.

The Bureau participated in Township events including the July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks, National Night Out, Community Unity Day, the Youth Academy and Halloween Hullabaloo.

Two new Crossing guards were hired this year as replacements to existing vacancies.

#### **Community Services**

This year the Community Policing Officer Program was reinstituted with the appointment of Officer Gene Rickle in September.

Our programs this year included Child ID Day, Youth Academy, National Night Out, Community Unity Day, and Police Department tours, Neighborhood Watch Meetings and Home Security Surveys.

CHILD ID Day was held on Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at Brooks Crossing School. It was well received by the community as we processed ID's for over 300 children.

Our Youth Academy was held the weeks of July 10<sup>th</sup>, July 17<sup>th</sup>, July 24<sup>th</sup> and July 31<sup>st</sup>. One hundred fifteen students graduated the academy. Wednesday was trip day. We visited the New Jersey State Police Museum.

National Night Out was held Tuesday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006. Once again we were the highest ranked department in the State. We were invited by five neighborhoods to do a kick off to National Night Out on Monday, July 31<sup>st</sup>.

We participated in Community Unity Day which was held on Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>.

Revitalization of our Neighborhood Watch Program began in the fall of 2006. We have reorganized or formed seven active Neighborhood Watches.

- 3 in Brunswick Acres
- 2 in Beekman Manor
- 1 at Deans Apartment
- 1 at Four Seasons which resulted in the capture of burglary suspects.

The D.A.R.E. unit started out the 2005-2006 school year with four officers teaching approximately eight hundred fifty students. Beginning with the 2006-2007 school year in September, the department began its new drug prevention program titled "S.A.F.E." This is an acronym which stands for Substance Abuse Awareness for Empowerment. The S.A.F.E. Program focuses on the facts involving drug and alcohol use, as well as strategies to resist offers of substance use and peer pressure. It also stresses the importance of being confident in making the best decision. The S.A.F.E. Program is currently being taught by one (1) officer, with another officer scheduled to be added in January 2007, and will target approximately 850 students in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

#### Communications

The Communications Center staffed by a minimum of two Certified Public Safety Telecommunicators (PST) working during all shifts.

The PSTs are responsible for six 9-1-1 phone lines, five non-emergency phone lines and four internal phone lines. They handle, on an average, 1,000 9-1-1 calls a month. In 2006 they generated nearly 42,700 cases, handled 2,792 First Aid calls and 937 Fire calls. This is down from 2005 in which they handled 3,103 First Aids calls and 1,010 Fire Calls.

The PSTs monitor the *TRAK Missing Child Alert System* and are also responsible for the Auto Dialer, which sends recorded messages to neighbors, keeping them informed on events and announcements that may affect them. The PST's operate and monitor approximately fifty radio channels serving over 800 radios; this does not include mutual aid channels such as SPEN and the Middlesex County Hotline.

Each PST is able to access New Jersey DMV files, Administrative Office of the Courts files (ATS&ACS) and the Internet from their workstation. They track and document every call and the responding units in an in-house computer system. The PSTs also monitor approximately twenty security cameras and panic alarms located in both the Police Department and the Municipal Building.

The Communications Center is also involved with Community Unity Day and National Night Out. We provide information and instructional materials at these events to educate our residents about the use of 9-1-1, benefits of the Auto-Dialer and proper registrations of their alarm systems.

The Communication Center continues to move forward in training and technology in an effort to provide the best service and protection for the Officers and the public.

#### Accreditation

In 2006 we began the Accreditation Process. Accreditation is a progressive and time-proven way of helping law enforcement agencies calculate and improve their overall performances. Sgt. Al Sondej was named as the department's Accreditation Manager and currently oversees the process.

There are five steps to get and stay accredited, they are:

- The Application Phase
- The Self-Assessment Phase
- The On-Site Assessment Phase
- The Commission Review and Decision Phase
- The Maintaining Compliance and Re-accreditation Phase

We are currently in the Self-Assessment Phase and are approximately 25% complete.

#### Clerical Bureau

The personnel assigned to the Clerical Bureau provide support to all the divisions, bureaus, and units within the department. The staff assigned to Police Administration is responsible for providing support to the Chief of Police, the Administration Command Captain and the Operations Command Captain. In 2006 we began laying down the ground work for accreditation. The Administration Bureau has been working diligently on department directives.

The Investigations Division includes the Juvenile and the Detective Bureaus. The secretaries assigned to this division perform secretarial duties for the Division Captain, Lieutenant, Sergeants, and Detectives assigned to each bureau. They are responsible for many assignments that were formerly performed by sworn personnel such as fingerprinting and processing residents for gun permits and maintaining the Bureau's database program.

In October of 2006 investigations received the Express Scribe System from the Middlesex County Prosecutors office. This is a computer system that stores statements on CD's. Other duties include preparing statement of victims, witness and offenders, preparing requests for search warrants, drug arrest reports and fingerprint cards. The Investigations Division also fingerprints all Emergency Service Personnel. They also do the fingerprinting for employment of township employees, vendors and liquor licenses.

The law requires that juvenile records be maintained in a confidential manner and separate from adult records. The secretary in the Juvenile Bureau is responsible for processing all juvenile cases, preparing statements taken from victims, witnesses and offenders, preparing cases for court and recording dispositions of cases and maintains a records file on all juvenile offenders. They also maintain the Megan's Law registration and notification.

In our Traffic Services Bureau staff is responsible for maintaining the Traffic Improvement Program, Traffic Safety Programs, D.W.I. and Aggressive Driver's Prevention projects and training, as well as other assignment and projects. They also process all traffic accidents and secure driver's abstract files from the Division of Motor Vehicle in various states. They prepare all serious and fatal accidents for the county, state and municipalities. They transcribe and prepare statements for the bureau. In 2006 they have entered a record amount of 11,076 tickets.

In Support Services clerical staff support the Division Lieutenant and sergeant assigned to the Bureau. The Community Police Crime Prevention Aide is responsible for maintaining the Community Policing projects which include the Senior Reassurance Program, Neighborhood Watch Program, National Night Out, Child ID Program, and McGruff Safe House. The Support Service Secretary maintains the scheduling and tracking of all police personnel both sworn and civilian. This division also maintains the department's training schedule and training records for all personnel. Also, within the Support Service division is our Senior Account Clerk. The Senior Account Clerk assists in the budget process and maintains the accounts, including forfeiture funds, grant awards, etc. In addition, she prepares the department's payroll as well as tracking and billing for quasi duty.

The Records Bureau is staffed with three Records Clerks, one Investigative Secretary, and one Data Entry II. They are overseen by the Information Management Supervisor. They manage the collection, distribution, maintenance and archiving of all adult reports and incident documentation. They are also responsible for the distribution and maintenance of crash reports. They categorize and secure, for safe keeping, all videos such as MVR (Mobile Video Recorder) and DWI video. This year the township purchased the Government Document Management System – GDMS. The system was purchased as a means to archive records.

All requests, made by the public, for copies of reports or documents associated with the case files must be submitted through the Records Bureau. This includes requests by attorneys for discovery on criminal and civil cases. We handle all discovery requests for any summons written on South Brunswick Township ordinance that is heard in our Municipal Court, including health department, fire prevention and animal warden. All discovery requests for summons written by the State Police and heard in the South Brunswick Municipal Court, including DWI, are handled by the Records Bureau. All requests for Crash reports are sent to and handled by the Records Bureau. They also forward all documents to the County Prosecutor for cases that are being heard in Middlesex County Courts, including case involving domestic violence.

The Records Bureau is responsible for data entry and the proper coding of reports so they report to the Uniform Crime Report. They prepare the UCR monthly and forward two copies to the State police.

The following figures are for the year of 2005 & 2006. I have included 2005 to show the large increase that we have encountered in 2006.

	2005	2006	Increase/Decrease	Percent % change
WARRANTS/COMPLAINTS				
COMPLAINTS CERTIFIED	45	56	11	24.44%
WARRANTS FOR SERVICE	64	92	28	43.75%
DISCOVERY				
DISCOVERY REQUESTS	567	773	206	36.33%
AUDIO TAPES	8	16	8	100.00%
MVR TAPES	25	56	31	124.00%
DISCOVERY/STATE POLICE	0	78	78	
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>				
GOOD CONDUCT LETTERS	83	91	8	9.64%
RECORDS CHECKS	467	498	31	6.64%
PROSECUTOR PACKAGES	71	104	33	46.48%
PATROL UCE CASES	214	322	108	50.47%
<u>DWI'S</u>				
DWI REPORTS TYPED	40	66	26	65.00%
DWI VIDEOS DUPLICATED	10	35	25	250.00%
MISC. VIDEOS DUPLICATED	26	28	2	7.69%
DWI BETA DISPOSED	0	4	4	
REPORTS PURCHASED				
MVA MAILED	2029	1691	-338	-16.66%
MVA PICKED UP	4727	6431	1704	36.05%
INVESTIGATIONS	195	355	160	82.05%
DATE PROCESSING				
INTER DISPATCH PAGE	5550	8001	2451	44.16%
CRIMINAL INVEST REPORT	1722	1997	275	15.97%
ARREST REPORT	379	611	232	61.21%
EXPUNGMEMENT	9	10	1	11.11%
REPORT UPDATED	0	2315	2315	
FINANCIAL REPORT				
FEES & PERMITS	353.53	349	-4.53	-1.28%
*MRNA	18376.37	19511.15	1134.78	6.18%
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Note that in May of 2006 the Open Public Records Act Council mandated a substantial reduction in our fee structure. Even with this reduction our MRNA account showed a 6.18% increase over 2005.

#### **Emergency Response Team**

The TEAM was called out to perform their special role on four occasions in 2006. The responses were all related to the execution of high risk arrest and/or search warrants. In

each case suspects were feared to be armed. In one event tactical operators showed great restraint in subduing a man who had drawn down upon them with a handgun.

A vacancy on the team was created when Sergeant Stoddard was promoted and designated Deputy Commander. Eight Patrol Officers applied for the assignment, Detective John Avalone was selected as the newest member of the team

Through forfeiture funds the Emergency Response Team has received needed equipment this year

#### **Auxiliary Unit**

There are currently 5 Auxiliary Police personnel in the department. In 2006 they had a total of 748 volunteer man hours amongst them. Some of the duties performed by these officers are patrol, special details, fingerprinting, and emergency call-outs.

This year Officer Mark Young was awarded as Auxiliary Officer of the Year with a total of 351.5 volunteer hours.

## Chapter V Department Statistics

#### **UCR Part I Crimes**

Crimes	2005	2006	Increase/Decrease 05-06
Homicide	0	0	0
Rape	1	2	100%
Robbery	15	12	-20%
Assault	170	216	27%
Burglary	113	143	26%
Theft	357	420	17.5%
MV Theft	45	45	0
Arson	1	1	0
Total	701	839	19.6%

#### Arrests

Arrests	2005	2006	Increase/Decrease 05-06
Adult	243	344	41%
Juvenile	70	83	18%

#### **Summonses**

In 2006 the Department issued 11,078 motor vehicle summonses. This was an increase of 3,712 over the previous year.

#### Aggressive Driver Campaign

Between November 2006 and January 2007 the Department participated in a State funded Aggressive Driver campaign. 350 man hours were devoted to the project which was supported by grant funds. 794 summonses were issued as a result.

In addition to enforcement, the Department engaged in a massive educational campaign supported by the use of a billboard, the variable message sign board, as well as television and print media coverage. A comparison of crash data from the same period last year showed nearly a 50% reduction in motor vehicle crashes.

#### Motor Vehicle Crashes

In 2006 the Department responded to 1,947 motor vehicle crashes, 18 more than the previous year. This remains to be one of my primary focuses.

#### Fatal Motor Vehicle Crashes

There were three fatal motor vehicle crashes in 2006 as compare to four in 2005.

On March 12<sup>th</sup> a 43 year old, North Brunswick man was the victim in a one car crash that took his life. The combination of speed and weather conditions was determined to be the cause.

On March  $27^{th}$  an 80 year old, pedestrian was struck by a vehicle on Sandhill Road. He died as a result of his injuries on April  $7^{th}$ .

On December 5<sup>th</sup> a crash occurred at the intersection of Route 32 and Herrod Boulevard. Three vehicles were involved, several passengers were injured and one died. The investigation is on-going.

#### **Driving While Intoxicated**

In 2006, our agency arrested 64 drivers for Driving While Intoxicated (DWI), 4 arrests above our 2005 number.

#### Selective Enforcement

The Department conducted 458 selective enforcement details in 2006, up from 204 details in 2005. We focus on aggressive driving and local issues such as overweight trucks and improper parking. Our philosophy continues to be education and enforcement. To accomplish this, we use our variable message boards and our radar trailers throughout the township.

# Chapter VI Department Goals

#### Goals for 2006

I'm proud to say, that we have made considerable gains towards my 2006 stated goals. We have strengthened our Patrol Division by increasing the minimum road coverage on the afternoon and midnight shifts for both Squad A and Squad B. However, I stand committed to increasing the minimum road coverage for all three shifts to six officers and increasing our patrol districts to four. I anticipate completing this goal in the fall of 2007.

We've have made significant gains in the State accreditation process. Sergeant Al Sondej has done an excellent job reviewing and distributing directives for revision. My goal remains to improve efficiency through the completion of the accreditation process.

#### Goals for 2007

My goals for 2007 are ambitious. We are currently attempting to bring our agency up to full staffing levels. Adequately staffing Patrol remains a primary goal. My goal is to increase our Patrol staffing levels to forty-two patrol officers and twelve sergeants. With that number, I can safely increase the minimum road coverage to all shifts. Increasing the minimum road coverage is long overdue. I will not compromise on officer or citizen safety.

Technology will play a major role for us in 2007. We are working hard to replace our current Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system with the ENFORSYS system. Purchase, installation, conversion, and training will play a vital role in this agency moving forward. A smooth transition to this system will be vital to improving our agencies overall effectiveness.

Accreditation is also vital to the overall health of our agency. I fully expect to make significant gains in accreditation this year. Achieving accreditation will be a significant achievement for the agency and the Township. Accreditation acknowledges the implementation of policies and procedures that are conceptually sound and operationally effective.

#### **Closing Remarks**

In closing, I would like to commend the men and women of this agency. I feel 2006 was an outstanding year on many levels. Although there was a higher demand on our services, each and every member of this agency worked extremely hard to provide the Township of South Brunswick quality police service.

I will continue to challenge our agency to be the best and to serve South Brunswick Township with pride.

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond J. Hayducka

Chief of Police