

# **2011 – *Year in Review***

## **INTRODUCTION**

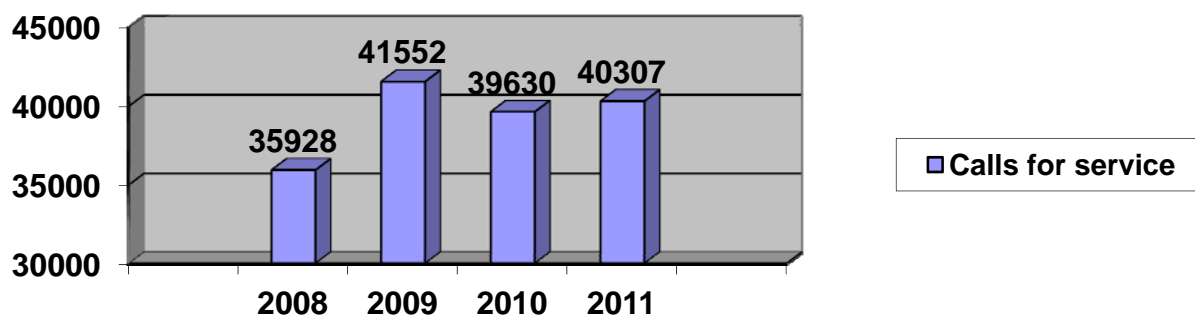
Annually, the Campbell County Sheriff's Office authors an Annual Report to describe our accomplishments and highlights of law enforcement in Campbell County and to share the efforts of the sworn and non-sworn personnel as they continue to provide the most professional services and quality law enforcement available to our citizens. Additionally, this report provides an overview of each division and their sub-units.

Over the years, the Sheriff's Office has gained the trust and respect of our citizens and we are extremely fortunate to continue receiving the cooperation and support we have come to expect and enjoy. Likewise, our citizens expect and deserve a professional law enforcement agency. Our mission and core values strive to provide the most professional and comprehensive law enforcement services to Campbell County and doing so with the most frugal and cost efficient services practical. Each deputy serves the public by emphasizing problem solving initiatives to solve issues, all while involving our citizens of all ages as a vital resource to achieve this goal. Our deputies are highly visible 24 hours a day during the four patrol shifts and we make it a priority to talk with our residents and businesses in order to be a part of the community. Over the past decade, we have practiced community policing and problem-solving skills to maintain a low crime rate and high clearance rate and as a result, we are able to achieve this goal.

The Sheriff's Office consists of 69 employees. The Office has a compliment of 58 sworn full-time personnel, 7 sworn part-time personnel (one of which is a domestic violence grant position), 3 full-time and 1 part-time civilian personnel. During 2011, 2 new employees joined the Campbell County Sheriff's Office. Deputies Josh A. Gryder and Gerwin L. Thompson were hired in July of 2011. Both of these new deputies

attended the Central Virginia Criminal Justice Academy from July through December 2011 and began their mandatory field training upon graduation. After a minimum of 120 hours of field training they will become certified through the Department of Criminal Justice Services in 2012. At the end of 2011 the Sheriff's Office will only have one vacancy due to the retirement of Sheriff Terry E. Gaddy.

The Campbell County Sheriff's Office responded to 40,307 calls for service in 2011. Calls for service from 2010 to 2011 increased by 1.71%.



## ***NEW HIRES FOR 2011***

**Deputy Josh Gryder**



Joshua A. Gryder (goes by Josh) was hired on July 1, 2011 and is a native of Mecklenburg County, VA. Josh graduated from Bluestone High School in 2008 and Liberty University in 2011 with a degree in Criminal Justice. Josh is recently married and he and his wife reside in Campbell County.

## **Deputy Gerwin Thompson**



Gerwin L. Thompson was hired on July 7, 2011 and is a native of Amherst County, VA. Gerwin graduated from Amherst county High School in 2004 and attended Liberty University. Gerwin is married and has four children.

## ***RETIREMENTS IN 2011***

2011 will be the end of an era in the history of the Campbell County Sheriff's Office.

**Deputy Larry E. Rose**



**Deputy Sheriff Larry E. Rose** was hired on January 30, 1989 and retired on February 1, 2011. Deputy Rose was a dedicated employee to the Sheriff's Office. His primary responsibility was the transportation of prisoners and he did this with pride. His kind, gentle demeanor no doubt made an impact on the hundreds of persons he transported over the years. Deputy Rose and his wife plan to enjoy their time by doing some travelling. (As if he hasn't travelled enough miles in his career!!)

### **Sheriff Terry E. Gaddy**



**Sheriff Terry E. Gaddy** was hired as a deputy at the ripe age of 18 on August 1, 1976. He rose through the ranks of the Sheriff's Office during his tenure and was elected Sheriff in 2003, taking office on January 1, 2004. Sheriff Gaddy is known to many citizens in Campbell County by his voice alone. It's hard to mistake that deep voice for anyone but the Sheriff. Sheriff Gaddy is married to Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Brooke Gaddy. He has four children, two of which are still in the home. He plans to complete the "honey-do" list, ride his motorcycle, and enjoy the great outdoors.

Both Sheriff Gaddy and Deputy Rose will be missed but never forgotten.

## ***PROMOTIONS IN 2011***



**Robert S. Layne**

**Promoted to Master Deputy on February 1, 2011**



**Stuart T. Herndon**

**Promoted to Sergeant on February 1, 2011**



**Mark C. Schmitt**

**Promoted to Lieutenant on February 1, 2011**



**Chris S. Towler**

**Promoted to Sergeant on October 1, 2011**

# **2011 AWARDS CEREMONY**

The Campbell County Sheriff's Office will hold its annual Awards Ceremony to honor and recognize those members of the agency, and citizens, who greatly contributed their talents and dedication to benefit Campbell County and the Sheriff's Office during the calendar year of 2011. The ceremony will be held during January 2012 and the following personnel will be recognized for their special achievements:

## **Department Commendation Awards**

Sergeant William C. Elliott

Deputy Joshua B. Layne

Sergeant Jason M. Sloan

Deputy J. Allen Williams

## **Department Meritorious Service Award**

Investigator Tracy A. Emerson

Sergeant Stuart T. Herndon

## **Years of Service Awards**

5 Years – Sergeant Stuart T. Herndon / Deputy Karen J. Wilson

10 Years – Investigator Clifford C. Wood

15 Years – Deputy Anthony D. Bates / Investigator Robert B. New

25 Years – Captain Cindy R. Caldwell / Investigator Michael L. Milnor

## **Recognition of Perfect Attendance**

Tony Bates – 4 Years

Darren Bolling – 12 Years

Allen Bowyer – 2 Years

Cindy Caldwell – 24 Years

Ross Candler – 4 Years

Terry Cook – 16 Years

Billy Crowe – 4 Years

Eric Dillon – 1 Year

Melvin Elder – 21 Years

Tracy Emerson – 9 Years

Tom Fairchild – 8 Years

Michael Garrett – 10 Years

Anthony Gilbert – 3 Years

Russell Glass – 12 Years



Sam Green – 7 Years  
Brian Hubbard – 1 Year  
Vince Keller – 4 Years  
Mike Lawhorn – 12 Years  
Brian Murray – 4 Years  
Lee Owen – 15 Years  
Curtis Rice – 4 Years  
Jason Sloan – 4 Years  
Chris Towler – 7 Years  
Dwayne Wade – 12 Years

Vicki Guthrie – 15 Years  
Jeremy Jones – 1 Year  
Tammy Kelly – 3 Years  
Robert Layne – 8 Years  
Robert New – 12 Years  
Jonathan Precious – 1 Year  
Mark Schmitt – 11 Years  
Will Sosnowski – 3 Years  
Devon Tweedy – 8 Years  
Cliff Wood – 4 Years

Retiring Sheriff Terry E. Gaddy (retirement 12/31/2011) and Deputy Sheriff Larry E. Rose (retirement 02/01/2011) will be presented with their service weapon and retirement plaque at the ceremony.

The Campbell County Community Advisory Board was created when Sheriff Terry E. Gaddy was elected Sheriff in 2004. He first met on a monthly basis with these community members and in later years determined that a quarterly meeting was sufficient. These members served with pride and represented various cross sections of the County. These citizens were an excellent liaison for the Sheriff's Office and their respective communities within the County. The following community members will be recognized in 2012:

Mr. Charles Brizendine; Mr. T. C. Cochran; Reverend Ronald Davidson; Mr. Sonny Hodges; Reverend Carlton Jackson; Mrs. Elizabeth Thurman; Mr. Earl Woodruff; and Ms. Sandra Wooldridge.

The following two citizens will receive awards for their contributions to the Sheriff's Office during 2011.

The Citizenship Award will be presented to Brenda Davidson, co-owner of Elder & Tibbs Jewelry in Brookneal. This business also serves as the location for Western Union wire transfers. Davidson had passed along to the Sheriff's Office suspicions she had about possible scams taking place using Western Union. Her tips have saved over \$25,000 for citizens. Her award will recognize her for "exemplary citizenship and selfless assistance to the Campbell County Sheriff's Office".

A Meritorious Service Award will be presented to Mr. Darrell Kelly who is a civilian employee of the Blue Ridge Regional Jail. Mr. Kelly goes above and beyond his duties to assist the Sheriff's Office in the furtherance of investigations.

## ***VA LAW ENFORCEMENT PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMISSION STATE ACCREDITATION PROGRAM (VLEPSC)***

The Campbell County Sheriff's Office received their re-accreditation status from the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission (VLEPSC). This marks the 2<sup>nd</sup> time that the Sheriff's Office has progressed through the accreditation process. The Campbell County Sheriff's Office was initially accredited in 1999 and became re-accredited in 2004. The 2<sup>nd</sup> on-site assessment was conducted in May of 2008. The Sheriff's Office successfully passed all 180 required standards as promulgated by the VLEPSC. The report by the assessment team was very complimentary of the agency and locality. As accreditation is an on-going process, the Sheriff's Office must constantly meet criteria set forth by VLEPSC to maintain accredited status.

Accreditation is a thorough examination of the previous four years of Sheriff's Office policy, procedures and activity by three trained assessors commissioned by the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission (VLEPSC) to audit our agency.

As of January 2009, there are 187 accreditation standards divided into four general subject areas: Administration, Operations, Personnel, and Training. The Administration area covers those law enforcement operations that are involved with the day-to-day management of the sheriff's office. These standards address the agency mission, goals, public service role, planning and research, budget and fiscal management, and communications. The Operations standards cover those areas where direct service delivery is most often found such as patrol, criminal investigations, and court security. The Personnel section is devoted to subjects involving areas of policy that govern the employment, career opportunities, selection and hiring, performance evaluations, and discipline. Finally, the Training standards focuses on new hire training, specialized in-service training, civilian training, and the proper record keeping of these trainings. The Sheriff's Office has to be in full compliance with all 187 standards to receive their re-accreditation status.

Accreditation is a process and not an event. In May 2012, a new team of assessors will audit our agency for compliance of the 187 standards for the previous four years. Not only does the agency have to continually comply with all the standards, it has to also show proof of that compliance for each standard for each of the previous four years prior to the on-site assessment.

Captain Cindy Caldwell, Sergeant Bill Elliott, and Deputy Devon Tweedy will be readying the agency for the 3<sup>rd</sup> on-site inspection scheduled for May 2012.

## **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION**

2011 was a very productive year for the Campbell County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigative Division. Investigators worked on a wide variety of major cases

ranging from murder to burglaries with substantial property loss. One of the main problems continues to be burglaries with the offender taking large amounts of gold jewelry. These are hard to clear because a state statute allows pawn shop to sell the gold in ten days. The Narcotics Unit, which consists of two investigators assigned to investigate street to mid-level narcotics trafficking within the county, and one investigator assigned to the Central Virginia Narcotics Task Force, made a number of significant arrests and seizures during 2011. The polygraph examiner within the Criminal Investigations Division not only helped Campbell County Sheriff's deputies solve more crimes, but also helped the majority of agencies within Central Virginia solve more crimes as well. The Computer Crimes Unit investigated a number of local cases but also assisted agencies throughout the state collect evidence that was located in Campbell County.

Listed below are the statistics of CID cases worked during 2011 by the Criminal Investigative Division and Narcotics Unit and a synopsis of some of the more significant cases. The Criminal Investigations Division consists of (Investigator Billy Crowe, Investigator Brian Dudley, Investigator Tracy Emerson, Investigator Brandon Epperson, Investigator Mike Milnor, and Investigator Cliff Wood). The Computer Crimes Unit is led by Investigator Robert New. The Narcotics Unit is composed of Investigator Dwayne Wade, Sergeant Brian Murray and Deputy Joe Shepherd. The Domestic Violence investigator was Investigator Darrell Dowdy. All sections are supervised by Captain L.T. Guthrie, the head of the Criminal Investigation Division.

### **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION STATISTICS**

Felonies Worked: 534	Felonies Cleared: 386
Felony warrants Obtained: 456	
Misd. Worked: 101	Misd. Cleared: 97
Misd. Warrants Obtained: 97	
Polygraph examinations conducted: 38	

## **COMPUTER CRIME UNIT STATISTICS**

Computer Forensic Exams Conducted:	48
Civic Presentations:	12
Grant Submissions:	1
Assistance to other Agencies:	33 cases

## **NARCOTICS UNIT STATISTICS**

### **2011 DRUG PURCHASES**

Cocaine:	118
Marijuana:	5
Prescription Drugs (Oxycontin, Percocet, Lortab):	12
Gun purchase from Felon:	1

### **2011 EXPENDITURES**

Cocaine:	\$13,720.00
Marijuana:	\$ 395.00
Prescription Drugs:	\$2,625.00
Gun:	\$ 300.00
Total for Drug Purchases:	\$17,040.00
Informant and Related Expenses -	\$11,877.00
Total for Unit -	\$28,050.00

The Narcotics Unit made 47 arrests with 138 indictments being issued.

### **Drug Operations**

The Narcotics Unit continued to be very busy during 2011. Narcotics Unit conducted a drug investigation throughout the county with a primary focus in the Brookneal and Route 501 north of Rustburg areas. While conducting this investigation we utilized confidential and reliable informants to make over 60 purchases of narcotics. While this was a significant period in itself, it was a result of previous observations and

investigations by this Unit that were used to develop the informants and intel used to bring this operation to its conclusion which resulted in the arrest and conviction of 32 individuals on more than 120 charges. As well as the seizure of a large quantity of illegal narcotics.

The result of this operation led to a dramatic decline in drug sales in these areas. Also, as a result the Sheriff's Office received numerous compliments and positive feedback from the citizens in these areas to the improvement in quality of living stating that the areas were more quiet and peaceful in the months after. We have also heard of many comments of jailed offenders and drug dealers still at large that they did not want to conduct business in the Campbell County area.

### **Investigative Operations**

2011 was another busy year for the criminal investigators of the Campbell County Sheriff's Office. A synopsis of some of the more significant cases are as follows:

On May 30, 2011, this case involved a convicted sex offender and started with one underage victim coming forward in reference to being kissed by the suspect. After conducting a forensic child interview with this victim it was determined that she had sex with the suspect and that he used his cell phone and internet to facilitate this. Investigator Dudley was able to obtain a search warrant for the suspect's home, phone, and computer. After service of this warrant multiple victims were located. After many interviews with victims and research on this suspect including an interview with him in which he made statements against his interest, 12 indictments were handed down by the grand jury. He has pled guilty to these charges and awaits his sentence.

On July 31, 2011, at approximately 6:00 a.m., Campbell County 911 received an alarm from Hamilton's Jewelers located at 21120 Timberlake Road. Sgt. Sloan responded to the store and observed a white male through the window. The business was closed and the suspect was an obvious intruder. Sgt. Sloan apprehended the suspect at the back door of the business. The suspect told Sgt. Sloan that two other

suspects were inside and one of them was armed with a handgun. Sgt. Sloan removed the suspect to a safe area and waited for back up.

Investigator Epperson arrived on scene and the suspect had been secured in a patrol vehicle. The subject was advised of his rights and interviewed. The suspect confessed that he acted alone and pried open the back door with a crow bar. Once inside he broke the display cases and removed jewelry and placed it in his vehicle which was parked near the business. Approximately \$7,000.00 worth of jewelry was recovered that he had removed from the store. In addition to the theft, the suspect caused several thousands of dollars worth of property damage.

The suspect was arrested and charged with B&E, felony property damage, grand larceny and possession of burglary tools. He eventually pled guilty to the charges in Circuit Court, was ordered to pay restitution, and is currently awaiting sentencing.

On August 22, 2011, Investigator New spoke with a subject at his residence. The interview was audio recorded by Investigator Smith. The subject made a lengthy admission to stealing the identities of multiple victims and using those identities to close out accounts and transfer money for his personal use as detailed in the main CVaCC Task Force report taken by Investigator Smith. Early estimates of the money value are around \$1 million. The subject confessed to committing the same type of scam with victims all over the Commonwealth of Virginia and West Virginia.

On September 27, 2011, Investigator Emerson along with other investigators from this office arrested a subject for transporting approximately 20 pounds of marijuana into Virginia (Campbell County) from New York City. He also was charged with possession of two hands gun while in possession of over 5 pounds of marijuana at the same time. Once he was arrested and interviewed it was discovered that he had been bringing drugs into Campbell County for a year and making trips to New York every 8 to 10 days to bring drugs back. In this year, it is suspected that he brought back 400 to 500 pounds of marijuana in this time period into Campbell County.

On December 5, 2011, Investigator Wood was assigned a burglary to a residence in the Wildwood area of Campbell County that occurred on December 4, 2011. It was discovered during the Investigation that entry was made to a rear window of the residence by breaking the window. Inside the residence it was found that a large amount of jewelry had been stolen out of one of the bedrooms.

Investigator Emerson had received a Pawn Record Report from New London Pawn on the morning of December 5, 2011 where it was found that a person known by Investigator Emerson had pawned jewelry on December 4, 2011. Investigator Emerson was familiar with this suspect as he had recently had a trial on December 1, 2011 with this suspect being the defendant in a burglary case where he was found guilty and was out on bond awaiting sentencing. It was known that the suspect was residing at his mother's residence. Investigator Emerson looked on the county GIS mapping system to see where the suspect's mother's residence was compared to the residence of the break-in and found that it was within walking distance from the rear of the suspect residence. Two other burglaries in the Timberlake Road area that occurred on November 14<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> respectively had recently been assigned to Investigator Emerson. It was found that both of these burglaries were also within walking distance of the suspect's residence. It was determined that the suspect was released on bond in October from the earlier burglary charge that occurred during the summer.

Investigator Wood checked with Timberlake Pawn and found that the same suspect had sold a motorcycle. Investigator Emerson checked with Pawn Solution in Forest and found that the suspect had also sold several deep sea reels. Inv. Emerson further checked with L. Oppleman Pawn Shop and found where the suspect had sold several deep sea fishing reels and rods. All of the sales were made shortly after the burglary that was reported on November 14, 2011. It was determined that all of the items sold to all three pawn shops were stolen from a residence in the Timberlake area on November 14, 2011. It was also determined that the jewelry that was sold by the suspect to New London Pawn was stolen from the burglary on December 4, 2011.

Investigator Wood compiled the information from the burglaries and obtained a search warrant for the suspect's mother's residence. There was evidence found during the search that linked the suspect to the burglaries that were reported on December 4,



2011 and the business burglary on November 23, 2011. The suspect was arrested and held without bond on numerous charges including 3 counts of Breaking & Entering, 2 counts of Property Damage, 2 counts of Grand Larceny, 1 count of Petit Larceny and 2 counts of Obtaining Money by False Pretenses.

All of the property stolen during the three burglaries was recovered except for a few pieces of jewelry. The estimated total of all of the property stolen and recovered amounted to approximately \$13, 000.00.

## **FIELD OPERATIONS DIVISION**

### **Traffic Unit**

During the year 2011, the traffic unit was assigned to the Field Division. The unit provided a proactive approach to traffic enforcement as well as a reactive response to “calls for service” when needed. A high emphasis is placed on community awareness and involvement in heavily populated areas. This is an effort to reduce traffic crashes which in turn reduces property loss, injuries, and fatalities. The traffic unit supervisor maintained responsibility for traffic enforcement, a County Code enforcement officer, and a K-9 officer.

The unit is responsible for various speaking engagements and demo’s to promote traffic safety, to include, class action with SRO’s and Juvenile Licensing Ceremonies (monthly).

The unit also represents the Department in a Regional effort to promote traffic safety as a member and vice president of The Central Virginia Highway Safety Board. This board meets monthly to plan and strategize effective ways to promote and enforce traffic issues and concerns.

In 2011 the traffic unit was responsible for receiving a \$29,290.00 grant from DMV for traffic enforcement. From this money we were able to conduct 6 DUI related

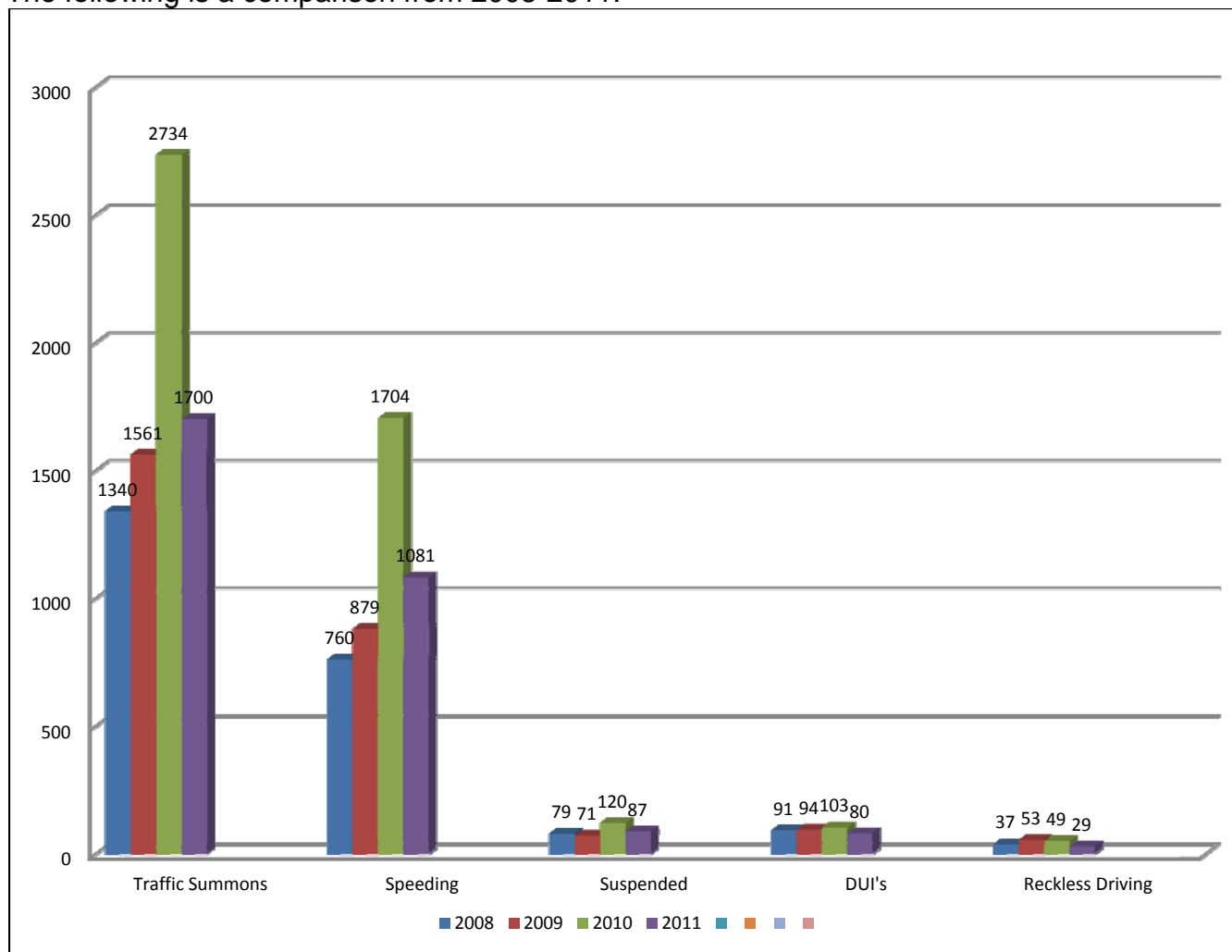
checkpoints and provide over 900 man hours of selective enforcement. These man hours were mainly concentrated in school zones, special events, and weekends.

The following are traffic related statistics that includes all Divisions of the Campbell County Sheriff's Office for the calendar year of 2011:

**Total Summons Issued: 1700**

Fatalities: 4	Reckless Driving: 29
Speeding: 1081	DUI: 80
Drive Suspended: 87	Seat Belts: 81
Parking: 50	Other: 342

The following is a comparison from 2008-2011:



## **K-9 Activities**

During the year 2011 Deputy Robert Layne and K-9 Atlas (hereinafter referred to as The Team) were called out 14 times. The Team conducted training twelve times during 2011. Training consisted of an eight hour training session each day. The areas covered during the training session with K-9 Atlas were vehicle searches, controlling his aggression toward food, different types of building searches, school searches, inside and outside hides of narcotics, working with different departments and their training methods and staying on task with his search patterns. The Team attended Canine Legal Update and Decoy School. They have assisted our county narcotic unit and also other agencies. Synopses of some of the more significant cases are as follows:

On January 13, 2011, The Team was called to Altavista. The call was for a search warrant of a house. The Team was placed inside the house. K-9 Atlas alerted and responded to a safe found upstairs. Inside the safe was 532.6 grams of crack cocaine, 154.5 grams of powder cocaine, \$1,200 in us currency and a firearm.

On April 8, 2011, The Team was called to Halifax County High School for a school search. K-9 Atlas did not locate any narcotics. K-9 Atlas did search over 53 cars during the search.

On April 13, 2011, The Team was called to Amherst County to perform a demo for the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) class. Atlas worked well and helped the children understand how a police k-9 worked.

On April 14, 2011, The Team was called to Rustburg Middle School for a school search. The Team searched a total of 8 classrooms. No narcotics were located by The Team. Also, on this date The Team responded to the City of Lynchburg for a demo.

On May 16, 2011, The Team was called to the Rustburg area for a search warrant. K-9 Atlas was able to locate a small amount of marijuana in the back bedroom.

There was also a large amount of mushrooms found in the search. Atlas also alerted on several smoking pipes found throughout the house.

On June 6, 2011, The Team was called to the Timberlake area for a search. The State Police Task Force needed a backyard searched for narcotics. The Team was placed in the backyard but was unable to locate any narcotics.

On July 7, 2011, The Team was called by road officers to search a vehicle on Timberlake Road on a traffic stop. K-9 Atlas alerted to a small amount of powder cocaine found on the passenger side dash.

On July 19, 2011, The Team was called to the Brookneal Mini Market for a vehicle search. Arriving, K-9 Atlas alerted to the trunk of the vehicle. A search warrant was obtained on the alert of the K-9. The vehicle was searched and crack cocaine, powder cocaine, and marijuana were found in the dash of the vehicle. On the same date The Team was called to search another vehicle. Crack cocaine was located in the floor board of the vehicle by The K-9 Team.

On September 28, 2011, The Team was called to a traffic stop on Town Fork Road for a vehicle search. The Team was deployed on the vehicle with a strong alert to the vehicle. Atlas was placed in the vehicle. K-9 Atlas alerted on 2 pounds of marijuana that was located in a shoe box in the back seat of the vehicle. On the same date, within the same hour, The Team was called to another traffic stop. The Team arrived at the Park and Ride. The Team was deployed on the vehicle with a strong alert to the trunk of the vehicle where 2 pounds of marijuana was located.

On November 11, 2011, The Team was called to a traffic stop on Route 29 north. The K-9 Team was deployed on the vehicle. K-9 Atlas had a strong alert to the vehicle's hood that was on top of the motor area where 2 pounds of marijuana was located.

The Team continues to improve together. The team's goals for 2012 are to proceed with expanding the program with one more K-9 and to make Atlas more efficient with finds and search patterns.

## **COUNTY ENFORCEMENT**

Sergeant Chris Towler serves as the County Enforcement Deputy. He has been assigned to this position since September 2008. Sergeant Towler is working closely with the County Administrator's Office, County Attorney, Zoning Office, and the Campbell County Landfill. He is also an active member of the Campbell County Litter Commission.

Sergeant Towler had a total of 27 Nuisance/Code Violations worked in 2011.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION**

### **COURT SECURITY AND PRISONER CONTROL**

In the year 2011, the number of deputies increased from three to four full-time (the fourth deputy was transferred to the Courthouse in January of 2011). Three part-time deputies were assigned to security in the Campbell County Courthouse complex. Court security logged 7,618 hours of service. This duty consisted of providing bailiffs for the four courtrooms and security officers for the courthouse security checkpoint.

There were no work related injuries during this time period.

### **TRANSPORT UNIT**

The Campbell County Sheriff's Office Transport Unit consists of one full time deputy (Deputy Alan Bowyer.) Both full time and part time Deputy's fill in when necessary.

There were a total of 300 “logged” transports of prisoner’s and 65 mental commitments, with a total time of 921.5 hours spent and a total of 35,869 mile’s performing this function.

There were also six Extraditions’ (out of state prisoner transports) with a total of 300 miles and a total of 61 hours spent. Four extraditions were done by VA State Police Aircraft division (some of our personnel accompanied the VSP on some of the extraditions.)

## **PROJECT LIFESAVER (PLS)**

Project Lifesaver is a rapid response partnership with law enforcement aiding victims and families suffering from Alzheimer’s disease and related disorders such as Down’s syndrome and Autism. The Sheriff’s Office had 59 calls for service for PLS.

A lost person with Alzheimer’s or other dementia represents a critical emergency. They are unaware of their situation; they do not call out for help and do not respond to people calling out to them. Nearly half of them will die and many can become injured or fall victim to predators if they are not located within 24 hours.

Project Lifesaver uses a small wireless transmitter on the patient’s wrist and if the patient wanders off, receiving equipment is used to track them. This equipment saves time and greatly improves the patient’s chances for survival. Project Lifesaver has over 1,000 saves nationally and there have been no deaths or serious injuries of patients in those 1,000 rescues.

The Project Lifesaver program of the Campbell County Sheriff’s Office is maintained and monitored by two certified instructor/operator’s assigned to the Administrative Services Division. Lieutenant Melvin Elder and Deputy Devon Tweedy administer the program for the Sheriff’s Office. There are also fifty-five deputies certified to operate and utilize the OSPREY receiver equipment used in the search and location of any lost Project Lifesaver client.

For the year 2011 there were 59 calls for service involving PLS consisting of normal client equipment servicing/inspection, school and instruction, public awareness presentations.

Approximately 33.5 hours were spent performing PLS functions, and fortunately we experienced no incidents of "lost clients". One client was removed from the program by death and another was placed in a Nursing Home.

## **CONCEALED WEAPONS PERMITS**

Concealed weapon permits are investigated by Lieutenant Melvin Elder. Completed applications along with the criminal background check results are presented to Circuit Court Judge John T. Cook for final approval. The approved permit is then issued by a Circuit Court Deputy Clerk.

During 2011, 532 concealed weapon permits were investigated and three were denied. There were also 8 previous permits revoked as a result of adverse court actions involving the applicants.

## **CIVIL PROCESS**

Total civil process served January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011: **21,263**

Total civil process served by *Lt. Gerald Lacy, Sgt. Terry Cook, Deputy Devon Tweedy, Deputy John Wingfield, Deputy Allen Bowyer and Deputy Larry Rose:* **16,321**

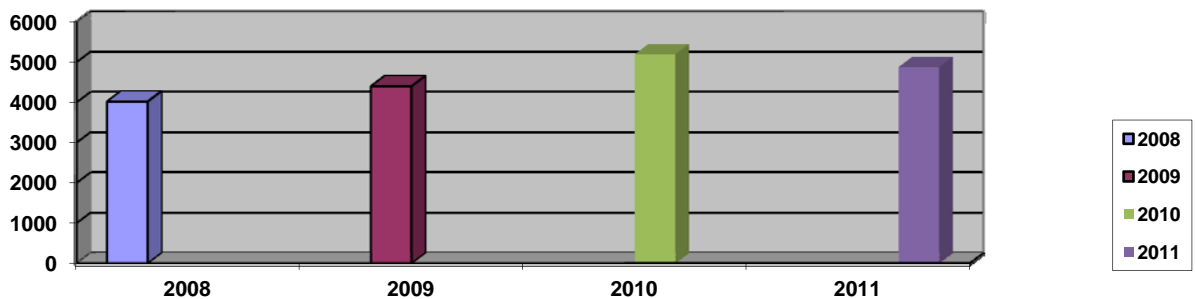
Total EPO, PPO, and OOP (includes all protective orders): **1,775**

Writ of Possession served: **199**

Levies served: **40**

## WARRANTS

In the year 2011, the Sheriff's Office served 4,533 warrants. The number of unserved (unable to locate) warrants is approximately 97.



WARRANTS SERVED 2008 - 2011

## EVIDENCE

During the past year all required inspections/audits were done on time and all evidence was found to be in order. Evidence that was no longer needed was destroyed in a timely manner. Evidence Room #3 is utilized to hold old cold case files which had previously filled up Evidence Room #2. Evidence Room #3 is now full. Storage room is needed now to house cold case files.

## FLEET MAINTENANCE & REPAIR

The Sheriff's Office purchased no new replacement vehicles during 2011. During 2011 the office had 12 incidents of county owned vehicles damaged in accidents. Damage for accidents amounted to approximately \$9,963.10; this does not include one total loss, a 2007 Impala. We received \$7,393.29 from insurance company payments. By repairing most accidents "in house" and using parts from our own retired cars, the total amount paid out to fix all damaged cars was \$705.00. This resulted in a positive cash flow of \$6,688.29 (this is excluding the totaled 2007 Impala (we were at fault)).



## **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH**

There are 6 active neighborhood watch groups located in Campbell County. Email communication has been established with the neighborhood watch groups to allow the sheriff's office to notify them of criminal activity in their neighborhoods.

## **CRIME PREVENTION ACTIVITIES**

The high schools have YOVASO (Youth of VA Speak Out about Traffic Safety) groups in their respective schools. YOVASO is a joint collaboration between DMV and schools. Students are given leadership training and asked to join and educate their fellow students about traffic safety issues. These students are very active and have represented YOVASO throughout the Commonwealth of VA. Campbell County Sheriff's office has a representative on the YOVASO advisory board that meets once a month in Roanoke.

The School resource officers (SRO's) participated in the DMV Smart, Safe and Sober Mobilization (Click it or Ticket) during the month of May/June and a mini enforcement wave during September. Teachers were asked to remind students to "Click It or Ticket", e-mails were sent to all teachers and administration at every school in Campbell County. The SRO's then provided enforcement in the school zones throughout the county during a two-week period. The SRO's provided enforcement one hour prior to the start of school and one hour after dismissal of school during this time.

SRO's continued the BUDDY (Buckle Up, Don't Die Young) program throughout the 2010-2011 school years. This program was directed to our seven elementary schools in the county. SRO's used a Mascot, (BUDDY Bear), signs, flyers, stickers, crayons, coloring sheets, and small teddy bears. Buddy Bear visited the elementary schools educating the students and parents of the importance of wearing their seat belts.

The SRO's gave many presentations to various groups in the community throughout the year on various topics such as Internet safety, personal safety, identity theft, home security, child seat checks, senior citizen safety tips, etc. They also worked many events where a deputy was requested to fingerprint children.

The SRO's also assisted with "Lock-Down" Drills at many of the elementary schools during 2011. Deputies were present at many of the lock downs and assisted the school administration in ensuring that students were hidden correctly and that procedures were followed. These lock downs were followed by faculty presentations which gave an opportunity for questions to be answered. These were eye-opening events for the staff at the schools and hopefully will contribute to safer school environments. SRO's also participated in round table simulation drills with school administrators at each school. These drills are conducted once a month by each school in the county.

To comply with Virginia Law 22.1-279.3:1 SRO's receive notice of every suspension for each of the 15 schools in the county. SRO's review the suspension to determine if it meets the code of Virginia as an incident required to be reported to law enforcement by the principal. Mandatory reports are completed by the SRO's in all instances required by law.

The SRO's continued Immediate Action Rapid Deployment training within the county schools. SRO's train on days that students are not in school to better prepare themselves to handle any critical incident they may face at any of our county schools. These trainings include policy reviews as well as scenario based trainings with walk through responses.

The Region 2000 Crime Prevention Association, which is made up of members of Campbell County SO, Amherst County SO, Bedford County SO, Bedford City PD, Appomattox County SO, Danville PD, Lynchburg City PD, DMV, and the VA State Police, continue to meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every other month. This group meets at the Colonial Restaurant located in Campbell County. It is an opportunity for the different agencies to network and discuss crime prevention topics.

### **SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS / DARE OFFICERS**

A SRO was assigned to every high and middle school in Campbell County as well as the Cornerstone Learning Center located at the Campbell County Technical Center. All of the officers are SRO certified. Each officer is responsible for teaching the

Class Action classes at their respective schools for 8<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade. D.A.R.E. was taught to all 6<sup>th</sup> grade students in Campbell county public schools. SRO's conduct many other classes at the request of teachers to include but not limited to Drivers Education, English, Business Law and search and seizure classes.

School Resource Officers fingerprinted all new employees for the Campbell County public schools. All new employees, substitute teachers, bus drivers, any person working within the schools make appointments and are fingerprinted by a School Resource Officer. Each of the four high schools has Cross match fingerprint machines placed in them. These were purchased by the school division. 383 fingerprints were completed by SRO's during 2011.

School Resource Officers also made presentations at all substitute teacher in-service trainings as well as the bus drivers in-service throughout the year. Issues concerning school safety and security are addressed.

SRO's actively attend gang training and classes while monitoring gang activity in the schools and community. Gang awareness presentations have been made to faculty and staff at several of the schools.

Safe Surfin' internet safety was taught to all sixth graders in the county.

SRO's coordinate all off duty assignments at their schools for ballgames, dances, etc. SRO's are responsible for working or finding deputies to cover extra curricular activities where school administration request police presence. The Sheriff's Office provided security to the school system with over 225 deputies for special events totaling over 750 man hours.

The following is a list of SRO assignments for 2011:

Lt. Mike Lawhorn – (Supervisor) Rustburg High School, Rustburg Elementary School

Sgt. Robert Hutcherson – (Supervisor) Altavista Combined School, Altavista Elementary School

Sgt. Russ Glass – (Supervisor) Brookville High School, Tomahawk Elementary School

Deputy Curtis Rice – Rustburg Middle School, Concord Elementary School

Deputy Vince Keller – William Campbell Combined School, Brookneal Elementary School

Deputy Jon Shelton – Brookville Middle School, Leesville Road Elementary School

Deputy Joel Everhart – Cornerstone Learning Center, Campbell County Technical Center, Yellow Branch Elementary School

\*\*Lt. Mike Lawhorn, Sgt. Russ Glass, and Deputy Vince Keller are certified Crime Prevention Specialists.

## **SUMMARY**

The Campbell County Sheriff's Office, like most government agencies, has felt the stress and repercussions of a bleak economy during 2011. The employees have tried to be good stewards of the property and equipment belonging to the County as well as utilizing cost saving measures where and when possible. All employees are asked to turn lights off in rooms that are not in use, to make their uniforms last longer, and ensure proper maintenance of all issued equipment is conducted on a timely basis in order to better utilize these resources and increase their longevity. Deputies are asked to turn their vehicles off while on calls for service, unless their emergency equipment is in operation, in an effort to save fuel. Many repairs to vehicles are conducted in house to save mechanic / repair fees. Old equipment is saved so that spare parts can be utilized to repair parts that need repair. If funds can be saved through efficient use of equipment, it is accomplished.

As your Sheriff, I am proud of the men and women of the Campbell County Sheriff's Office and the service they provide to the citizens of Campbell County. Each of these employees exemplifies professionalism and dedication to their jobs. Citizens of our County expect and deserve a Sheriff's Office that is professional, proactive for crime prevention, and efficiently managed. I feel that the Campbell County Sheriff's Office, as evidenced by this report, exceeds these expectations. Our motto is

*"we are a part of the community, not apart from"* and each day the employees of this Office strive to reflect this creed in their dealings with all persons.

It has been my pleasure to serve the citizens of Campbell County for the past 35 years. While I'm looking forward to retirement I have to admit it will be bittersweet. I have made many friends throughout the years and will certainly miss my daily contact with so many. I feel confident though that the citizens of Campbell County, which includes my family, will be well taken care of with the election of our new Sheriff who will take office on January 1<sup>st</sup>. Congratulations to Sheriff-Elect Steve Hutcherson as he continues to lead and manage the fine men and women of the Sheriff's Office and assist the wonderful citizens of Campbell County.

*Sheriff Terry E. Gaddy*