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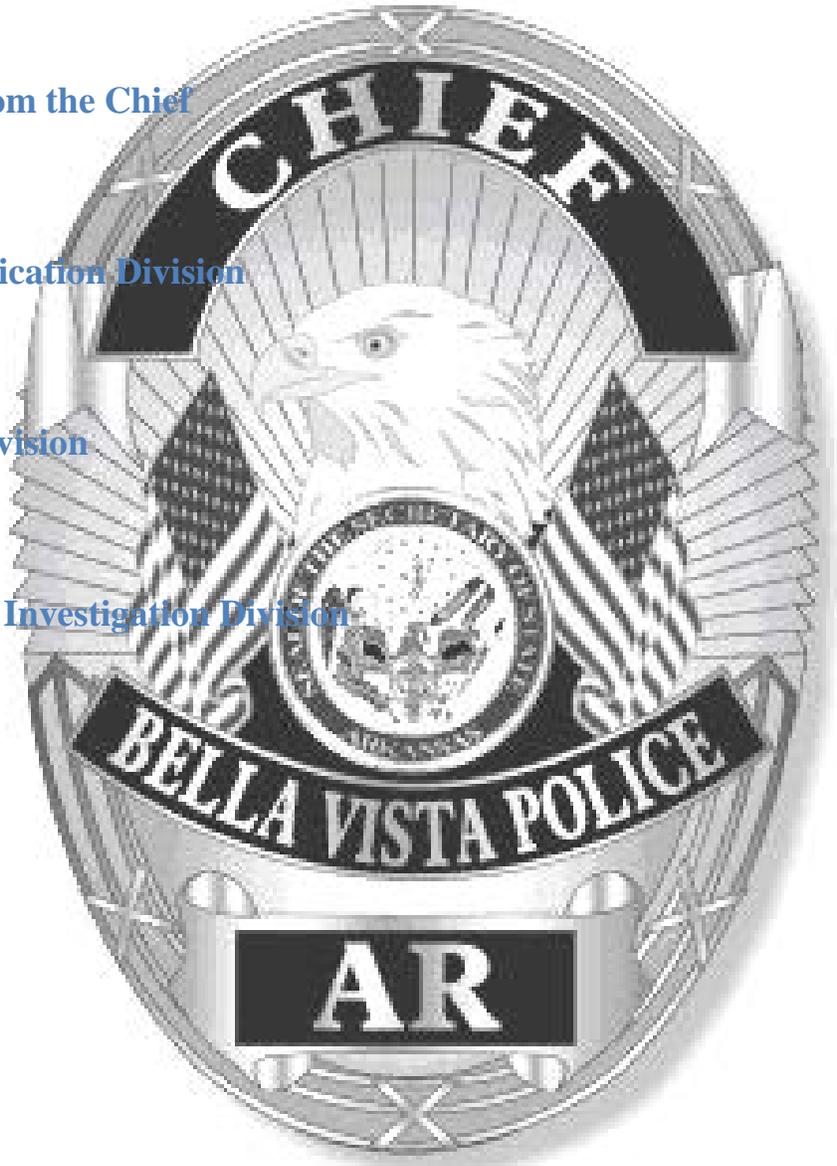
Bella Vista Police Department

Year End Report



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A detailed police badge for the Bella Vista Police. The badge is oval-shaped with a central eagle with spread wings. Above the eagle, the word "CHIEF" is written in a curved banner. Below the eagle, the words "BELLA VISTA POLICE" are written in a curved banner. At the bottom of the badge, the letters "AR" are prominently displayed in a black rectangular box. The badge features intricate designs, including a central seal and decorative elements.

April 10, 2015

Mayor Peter Christie
Members of the Bella Vista City Council

RE: Yearly Activity of the Bella Vista Police Department

Attached is the 2014 yearly Report for the Bella Vista
Police Department

Our successes for the year include accomplishing some
goals and continuing some worthwhile projects.



- Shop with a Cop – In 2014, we sponsored 16 children, all from Cooper Elementary or Gravette Schools. This program is extremely popular with officers and their spouses. Several spouses take time off from their jobs to participate. A number of our civilian employees also help. This year, we added an activity. Instead of McDonalds for lunch, we brought the students to the office, served them pizza and gave a tour of the police and fire departments.
- Training – In 2014, we added Below 100 to our in house training. Below 100 is a program designed to reduce the number of police line of duty deaths below 100 per year. It focuses on “preventable” deaths caused by driving habits and complacency. This was well received by our officers. Our instructors also presented the program to Centerton Police Department.
- Fraternal Order of Police – The officers of the police department formed an FOP Lodge in 2013. The FOP is a non-profit organization of police officers designed to raise funds for charity and foster a positive relationship with the community. In 2014, the FOP had several events to raise money to assist our officers with seriously ill children and began their preparation to take over funding of Shop with a Cop.
- Safest City – In 2014 Bella Vista was recognized by three national organizations as one of the Safest Cities in the State and Nation.
 - Neighborhood Scout, a company that provided local demographics to realtors and people who are relocating listed Bella Vista as the 11th Safest City in the U.S.
 - Safe Choice Security, a national security and alarm company listed Bella Vista as the 2nd Safest City in Arkansas.
 - Safe Wise Security, another national company listed Bella Vista as the 3rd Safest City in Arkansas.

- Community Involvement
 - We still participate in the Benton County S.A.L.T. Council. In 2014, S.A.L.T. held two Seniors Safety Academies. In May 2014, Bella Vista Lutheran Church hosted the academy in Bella Vista. This class was very successful, with around 75 people attending.
 - We participated in the National Night Out in early August. This year, our own Officer Steve Spann, DJ extraordinaire provided the entertainment. New for 2014 was the local Harley Owners Group. The arrival of about 25-30 motorcycles caused quite a racket. Everyone enjoyed looking at the unique bikes. We served an estimated 300 people. This event is very popular with families and continues to grow. We receive a tremendous amount of help from volunteers to organize and staff it.

- The police department continues to support a number of worthwhile community events:
 - National Drug Takeback Events – During 2014, we collected and disposed of 1274 pounds of medications. This program keeps unused medication from entering the ground water and out of the hands of abusers.
 - Special Olympics Torch Run – Officers carry the torch through the city to support and raise money for Special Olympics.
 - Methamphetamine Awareness Month – October is Methamphetamine Awareness month. We participate in several events during the month geared toward abuse prevention.
 - Child Abuse Awareness Month – April is Child Abuse Awareness Month. The police and fire departments cooperate with the Children’s Advocacy Center to place pin wheels on our front lawn recognizing victims of child abuse.

- We have several things planned for 2015.
 - We plan to host another Night Out in August. This event is becoming very popular, especially with families with children. Every event is more successful than the previous year.
 - We plan to have another Public Safety Day in conjunction with the Hay Days Festival.
 - We will continue our aggressive training program.

2014 was another busy year but we saw a decline in total activity. The primary decline was in activity generated by the officers. Criminal activity and calls for service remained constant or slightly ahead of 2013. We saw declines in Burglary, Accidents, Citations and a slight decline in Domestic Abuse. There were increases in B&E, Theft, Forgery, DWI, and Arrests. There were

no major violent crimes reported in 2014. We were able to resolve criminal cases on major crimes committed in 2012 and 2013 by pleas to lengthy prison sentences.

Thank You for your continued support.

Respectfully,

Ken Farmer

Communication Division

It seems each year presents itself with a host of new and not so new changes, opportunities and challenges, and twenty fourteen was no different. Training and employee turnover, flooding, commercial vehicle fires, long periods of record cold, repeated bouts of snow and ice, and bright green water between the banks of Little Sugar Creek all made headlines for the communications division. Not that most of these things haven't been experienced at one time or another by many of the seasoned staff, but the experiences rarely make each successive time much easier to deal with. There is always something different from the incident before.



Employee turnover, shift coverage, and training were the prevalent stories in 2014. Two dispatchers (both with over 17 years of experience) left for better employment opportunities. One dispatcher failed to make it through half of the basic training program before termination. Three new dispatchers with no experience in police, fire or emergency medical field were hired and completed basic training mid to late year. Another dispatcher left in late September for United States Army National Guard training and was gone through end of December. The remaining personnel were responsible for covering vacant or short personnel shifts and simultaneous training of new hired personnel.

Even though there was a personnel shortage throughout the year, some advanced training was still achieved.

- All communications division personnel attended a sexual harassment training course in January 2014
- Dispatcher Jennifer Weber and Dispatcher Christina Coenen-Lane attended advanced level II training at the Arkansas Crime Information Center in Little Rock, AR. on January 14-17, 2014
- Director Ron Towle attended Terminal Agency Coordinator training in Little Rock, AR. on February 18, 2014
- Dispatcher Jamie Abbott and Dispatcher Michelle Ouillette attended the Association of Public Safety Communications Conference in Eureka Springs, AR. on April 14-16, 2014
- Director Ron Towle and Dispatcher Joe Jacques attended the Arkansas Crime Information Center Conference in Little Rock, AR. on May 12-14, 2014.
- Dispatcher Jamie Abbott attended a self-defense instructor certification course in Dallas, Tx. on June 3-6, 2014.

- Dispatcher Andrew Shassere and Dispatcher Jennifer Darling attended the Arkansas Crime Information Center basic certification course in Harrison, AR. on July 16, 2014.
- Director Ron Towle re-certified his Emergency Fire Certification on July 30-31, 2014.
- Dispatcher Andrew Shassere attended the Arkansas Crime Information Center advanced certification course in Little Rock, AR. on August 26-29, 2014.
- Dispatcher Rachel Alvarez and Dispatcher Krystle Sanford attended the Arkansas Crime Information Center basic certification course in Bentonville, AR. on October 28, 2014 and attended the Arkansas Crime Information Center advanced certification course in Little Rock, AR. on December 9-12, 2014.

Communications personnel also found time to give back to the public by participating in the Shop with a Cop program. This program provides funding for underprivileged children so they and their families can have a joyful holiday season. The joy in giving back is always seen and felt after shopping with the kids. This opportunity will assuredly be something anticipated every year.

Communications personnel also, as in years past, participated in the security and traffic details for the Bella Vista Arts and Crafts Festival which ran from October 16th through the 18th.

Director of Communications Ron Towle participated in the Autism Involves Me fun walk and silent auction fundraiser on April 12, 2014. The fundraiser was organized by the NWA Autism Support Group and was held at the Grace Point Church in Bentonville, Arkansas. The event drew in approximately 5,000 people. The purpose is to raise funds for those on the autism spectrum in Northwest Arkansas. The funds assist with things such as: various therapies, learning tools, and grants for education and medical assistance. Along with raising funds it also helps to raise awareness of the Autism spectrum. Ron assisted with set up and breakdown of the event, and also did traffic control for fun walk and other various events.

Dispatcher Dillon Pruitt volunteered and partnered with athletes for the Special Olympics Oklahoma Games in Stillwater, OK. May 14-16, 2014. Special Olympics provides year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.

On July 19th, 2014, Director Towle assisted the NWA Autism Involves Me Support Group with a 5K run fundraiser held at Orchards Park in Bentonville, Arkansas. He assisted with set up and tear down of the event along with assisting with traffic control and route coordination.

Dispatcher Jennifer Weber enlisted in the United States Army National Guard in 2014. Dispatcher Weber attended Basic Combat Training and Advanced Infantry Training September 30, 2014 – February 3, 2015.

Director Towle also volunteers at Horses for Healing assisting in grounds and facilities maintenance, building structures for the cross country course, volunteering for fundraisers and assisting with horse shows. Horses for Healing is a nonprofit therapeutic riding center for individuals with special needs in Northwest Arkansas. In addition to private clients, Horse for Healing is one of the few centers in the country to provide services to area school children, thanks to a partnership with the Walmart Foundation. Horses for Healing also offers a Sports Riding Program providing advanced equestrian training and activities for independent riders that includes group lessons, camps and competitions.



Bella Vista Emergency Communications Center -Statistics not commonly known 2014

- There are ten phone lines for the Emergency Communications Center. They consist of three dedicated emergency phone lines (2, 911 lines & 855-1122), four non-emergency phone lines (855-3771, 855-8046, 855-8047, 855-8030), and a ring down line from each of the three Bella Vista fire stations. The afterhours walk up phone is tied in with the FD Station 1 ring down.
- Each phone line is monitored 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days per year.
- The four non-emergency phone lines listed above logged 62575 minutes of usage for 2014 according to the voice recorder report.
- The Bella Vista Emergency Communications has two 911 trunks. The voice recorder report shows 10408 minutes of usage for 2014.
- The average length of time on a phone call according the voice recorder is 1 minute 22 seconds. That is a 45% decrease from 2013.
- There are eight radio channels for the Emergency Communications Center. They consist of three police frequencies (PD 1, PD 2, PD 3), two fire frequencies (FD 1, FD 2), the POA frequency, Benton County Central Tower and the Arkansas Wireless Information Network (AWIN).
- Each radio frequency is monitored 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days per year.
- Any radio traffic over the three police or any of the two fire frequencies must be manually logged by the dispatcher into the computer aided dispatch program available at each console. This pertains to all traffic whether it is service related or not.
- Five of the eight radio frequencies (PD1, PD2, PD3, FD1, FD2) listed above logged 88016 minutes of usage for 2014 according to the voice recorder.
- Total number of radio traffic recordings on the voice recorder (PD1, PD2, PD3, FD1, FD2) for 2014 is 131280 with an average of 40 seconds per recording.
- Those numbers equal some form of radio traffic every 6 minutes for 2014.
- 457 warrants were entered into the Bella Vista PD in house system, Justicexchange online database, and NCIC in 2014. That is a 22% increase over 2013.
- 442 were misdemeanor warrants and 15 were felony warrants.
- Combined radio and phone recordings on the voice recorder show 162,085 minutes. That equals radio traffic to be given, answered, or monitored or a phone call to be answered or

made every 4 minutes on average. (This is minus the FD St2 ring down phone line and minus the POA radio frequency stats)

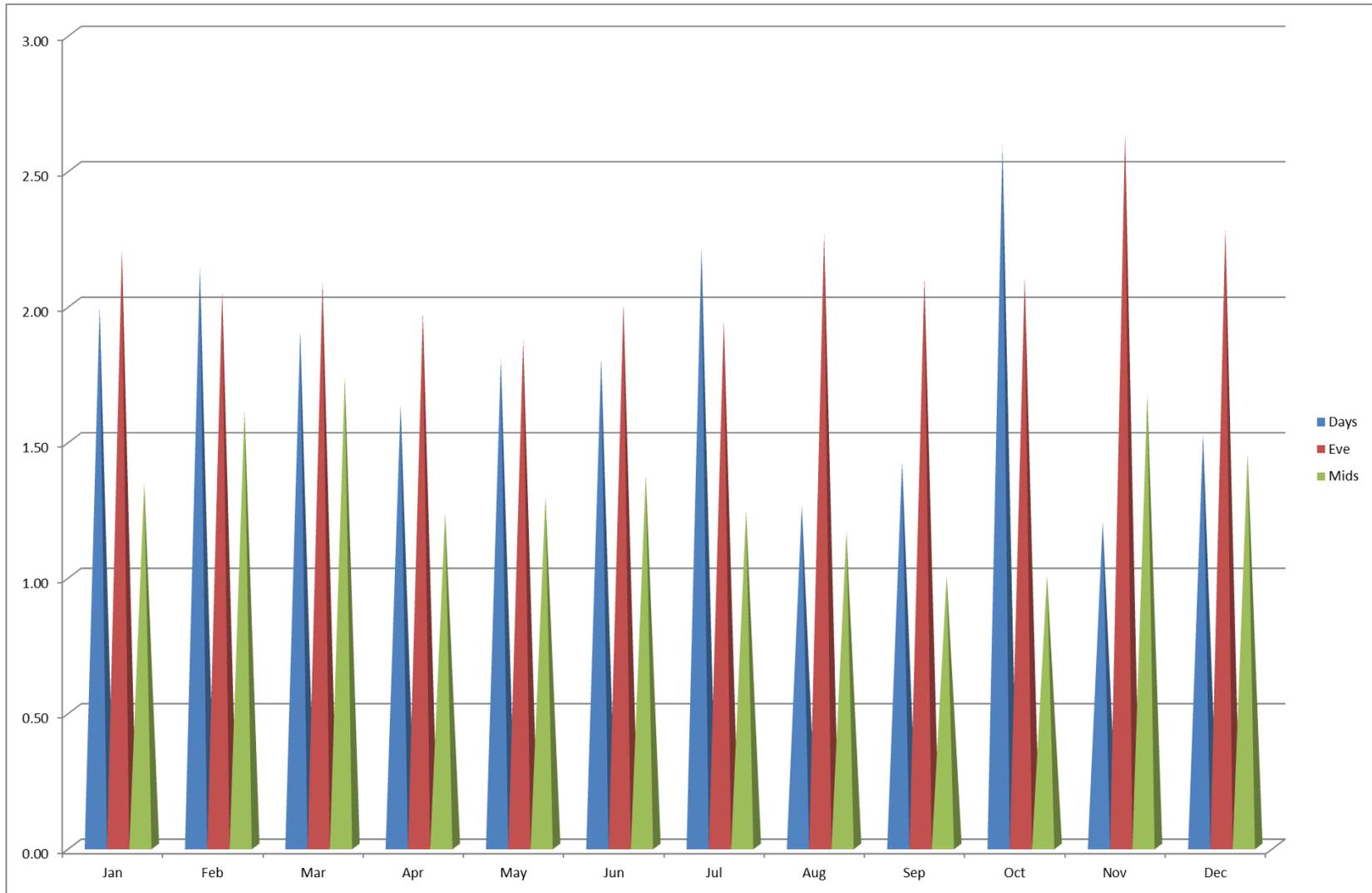
- Initial contact with a walk in reporting party is done by a dispatcher. The dispatcher takes the initial complaint and records all pertinent information regarding the call prior to dispatching an officer to speak to the reporting party.
- Walk in reports are taken 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days per year.
- The Bella Vista Emergency Communications Center has 3 dedicated terminals to run queries through the Arkansas Crime Information Center and the National Crime Information Center. There is one terminal per console and one in the Director of Communications office. The main terminal is manned by a trained and certified dispatcher 24 / 7 / 365.
- Approximately 169286 transactions were transmitted or received on these terminals. That is an ACIC / NCIC transaction every 3 minutes on average.
- 156 calls for service were generated through the Arkansas Crime Information Center and National Crime Information Center terminal.
- With this statistic now being known, it shows a dispatcher is answering or making a call on one of the ten phone lines, transmitting or receiving information on one of the seven radio frequencies, or running a query or receiving a transmission on the ACIC / NCIC terminal on average every 1.55 minutes.
- There are ten dispatchers, including the Director of Communications, fully trained to operate the Emergency Communications Center.
- In 2014 the goal was to have two dispatchers on all day shifts, all evening shifts, and one dispatcher on midnight shift. That is considered 100 % staffing.
- For the year of 2014, the communications center operated with one dispatcher per shift 100% of the time and two dispatchers per shift 64% of the time which is a 22% decrease from 2013.
- The attached charts, showing personnel statistics per shift, are a misleading due to the limited amount of information than can be shown on one chart. The gray between the lines is when a dispatcher is absent from, for example, a midnight shift. In this case a dispatcher from the day shift has to come in four hours early while a dispatcher from the evening shift has to stay four hours late. Or a dayshift dispatcher may have worked an entire dayshift already, goes home for 8 hours and then comes back to work an 8 hour midnight shift. That leaves the upcoming dayshift short because a dayshift dispatcher worked midnights. Another option is an evening shift dispatcher, who is already on duty, goes home for a few hours and then returns to work the full 8 hour midnight shift. Training new employees also causes a misrepresentation in duty personnel numbers. The report may show 2 or more on duty, but the trainee is not able to

perform duties independently which means a shortage in personnel still exists. There are many scenarios on how to cover shifts but it can't be shown in any definitive manner for charting purposes.

- The Bella Vista Emergency Communications Center fields after hours calls for the Water Department and the Street Department.
- Water Department after hours emergency service calls taken by the Bella Vista Communications Center = 218
- There are 2 current dispatchers that have 17 years of experience.
- There are 3 current dispatchers that have between 5 & 10 years of experience and 5 have less than 2 two years of experience.
- The national average for retaining 911 operators—sometimes referred to as their occupational “life expectancy”—is only two years. www.act.org/workforce/case/911.html
- The Bella Vista Emergency Communications Center is the hub for Police, Fire, and EMS services. All dispatchers are trained in all three disciplines and serve as the first responder on every scene until emergency personnel arrive.
- Twelve weeks of hands on training and several certifications must be obtained before a dispatcher is considered fully trained and able to fully perform all duties in the communications center.

Voice Recorder Stats 2013 thru 2014								
Month	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Total
January 13	1857	2142	2921	2871	2561	2202	2050	16604
January 14	1936	2152	2314	2547	2701	2926	1774	16350
February 13	2089	1889	2311	2326	2324	2077	1903	14919
February 14	1894	1954	1825	1887	1974	2144	1914	13592
March 13	2081	2277	2421	2219	2506	2640	2347	16491
March 14	1953	2764	2185	2174	2389	2121	2177	15763
April 13	2149	3461	3052	2225	2218	2557	2122	17784
April 14	1301	2060	2861	3197	2682	2285	1707	16093
May 13	1838	2555	2583	3428	2958	3125	1961	18448
May 14	1599	1965	2342	2423	2952	3274	2752	17307
June 13	2529	2435	2762	2547	2477	2608	2647	18005
June 14	1905	2993	2517	2453	2509	2392	2048	16817
July 13	1653	3080	3320	3199	3498	3170	1848	19768
July 14	1600	2296	3113	2703	2956	2335	1602	16605
August 13	1737	2322	2502	2606	3105	2845	2666	17783
August 14	1953	2042	2045	2137	2166	2493	2153	14989
September 13	1983	2930	2399	2471	2407	2379	1962	16531
September 14	1638	2682	2663	2206	2107	1981	1747	15024
October 13	1610	2384	2944	2909	2813	2427	1994	17081
October 14	1319	1596	2018	3167	2809	2911	1650	15470
November 13	1534	2114	2205	2311	2103	2487	2279	15033
November 14	2343	2016	2102	2103	2168	2208	2343	15283
December 13	2231	2817	2439	1943	2268	2402	2164	16264
December 14	1925	2750	2764	3340	2031	2015	1990	16815
Total 2013	23291	30406	31859	31055	31238	30919	31155	209923
Total 2014	21366	27270	28749	30337	29444	29085	21549	190108
	8.26%	10.31%	9.76%	2.31%	2.74%	5.93%	17.70%	9.43%
	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	TOTAL
								DECREASE

Dispatchers Per Shift 2014



Patrol Division

2014 was the year of being shorthanded for the Officers of the Bella Vista Police Department. Due to vacancies, injuries and vacations, the Patrol Division worked almost the entire year of 2014 with a manpower shortage. In 2014 the Patrol Division only worked full staff for 1 week out of the 52 weeks in the year. Some new Officers were hired to fill some of the vacancies; Officer Robert Warren was hired in June 2014 and attended the Arkansas Law Enforcement Training Academy in July and



graduated in October. Officer Warren is scheduled to complete his 12 week field training program (FTO) in January 2015. Officer Ross Conn was hired in September 2014 and attended the Arkansas Law Enforcement Training Academy in September and graduated in December. Officer Conn also participated in a 12 week FTO program and is scheduled to complete in March 2015. Officer Jeff Blake was hired in October 2014 and will attend the Arkansas Law Enforcement Training Academy refresher class in March 2015. Officer Blake completed his 12 week FTO program in December 2014. Officer of the Year for 2014 was given to Officer Reid Hudgens for his dedication and hard work throughout the year. Congratulations to Officer Hudgens.

In 2014 the Bella Vista Police Department continued to work hard on our department in-house training and other vital training. The Officers of the Bella Vista Police Department were able to train a total of 2,869 hours in 2014. This is down from 4,027.5 hours in 2013. Training was down in 2014 mostly due to being extremely short handed in 2014 and did not have enough Officers to cover the street and send to training. In 2014 the average total hours of training per Officer was 95.63 hours, down from 138.87 hours in 2013. This training included Pressure Point Control Tactics (PPCT), Less Lethal Munitions usage, Taser usage, Use of Force, Racial Profiling, Drug Investigations, Radar, Street Survival, Sexual Harassment, Domestic Terrorism, Supervision and many others. In 2014 the Bella Vista Police Department added a new class to its' in-house training (Below 100). This class was started nationwide a couple of years ago to cut down on the number of police related fatality accidents and try to keep the number of those accidents nationwide to below 100.

In 2014 both of the murder cases came to a conclusion. In the Annette Rapalee attempted murder case the suspect (Orville Mitch Goodwin) received a 12 year prison sentence. In the Theresa Voshell murder case the suspect (Leon Lincoln) received a 40 year prison sentence. All the officers involved in these cases worked extremely hard and

put in a lot of extra hours to be able to finalize the cases. The officers were pleased with the outcomes and sentences in both of these cases.

In 2014 the Patrol Officers of the Bella Vista Police Department received some new equipment. The Patrol Officers received some additional patrol rifles and we hope to be able to equip every Patrol Officer with a rifle by the end of 2015. We were able to equip all the Patrol Officers vehicle's with Stop Sticks. We have had some vehicles equipped with Stop Sticks for several years but not many. Stop Sticks are a great way to end high speed pursuits safely and effectively. In 2014 we were able to use the Stop Sticks to end a high speed pursuit safely, in which the driver of the suspect vehicle was arrested for several felony charges which included an illegal weapons charge. The Police Department also purchased an automated fingerprint identification system (AFIS) machine. The AFIS machine enables the Officers to electronically fingerprint all arrestees and send those fingerprints to the Arkansas State Police fingerprint division electronically. The officers can also use the AFIS machine to identify suspects that may give a false name or no name at all. The Officers can fingerprint the unknown person and send the fingerprints electronically to the Arkansas State Police and in a few minutes can get identification back on that person if they have been fingerprinted before. We can now fingerprint the citizens of Bella Vista and other people for the state mandated background checks for employment the same way and print out a fingerprint card for them without having to get fingerprint ink all over them like when we had to do it the old way.

The Patrol Officers were able to work some drug interdiction on Highway 71 during the Wakarusa music festival in June. The Wakarusa music festival is known to be a big drug using venue and all kinds of people bring their drugs with them on the way to the festival. The Officer's made 19 drug related arrests during a two day period. The officers seized all kinds of drug related items during those arrests, such as marijuana, prescription medication, marijuana smoking pipes, vehicle, cash and other items. Officers were able to work another drug case in June and get a search warrant for a house in Bella Vista and recovered over 5 pounds of marijuana and drug paraphernalia. On this case the officers charged the suspect with several felony drug charges and seized a pickup truck, motorcycle and \$20,000 in cash. 2014 was a big year for drug related incidents; officers made arrests for marijuana, prescription medication, LSD, methamphetamine and cocaine along with other types of illegal narcotics.

2014 was another busy year for the patrol officers of the Bella Vista Police Department. It may not show up in some of the numbers and statistics, but due to being extremely short handed all year long the officers worked just as hard or harder than in years past. We are looking optimistic that we will not be as shorthanded in 2015 as we were in 2014. In 2015 we hope to be able to be more proactive and work more drug interdiction on the highways and roads of Bella Vista. We will be gearing up to work the

Wakarusa music festival again in 2015 and hope to get even better results. We would like to be able to work more DWI interdiction, with more saturations and DWI checkpoints. We will also be able to dedicate more time to patrolling the streets and enforcing traffic laws and sending the officers to training which we were not able to do as much as we would have liked in 2014.



Total Hours Trained Per Officer in 2014	
Personnel	Hours
Ken Farmer	24
Barb Shrum	56
Tim Cook	107
VJ Wilson	87
Rodney Deason	73
Ed Williams	65
Terry Dickey	45
Mike Kugler	27
Clayton Roberts	75
Ken Sabby	97
Justin Green	67
John Jordan	67
Ryan Harmon	34
Scott Vanatta	141
Paul Wallace	49
Eric Palmer	57
Jill Dowell	51
Travis Trammell	57
Robert Warren	552
Darren McCoy	40
Bryan Bunch	65
David Lopez	91
Bryan Whitehead	47
Blake Hughes	75
Jeff Blake	4
Lucas Henson	83
Reid Hudgens	67
Steve Spann	53
Ross Conn	538
Amber Bowman	75
Total Hours Trained in 2014	2869

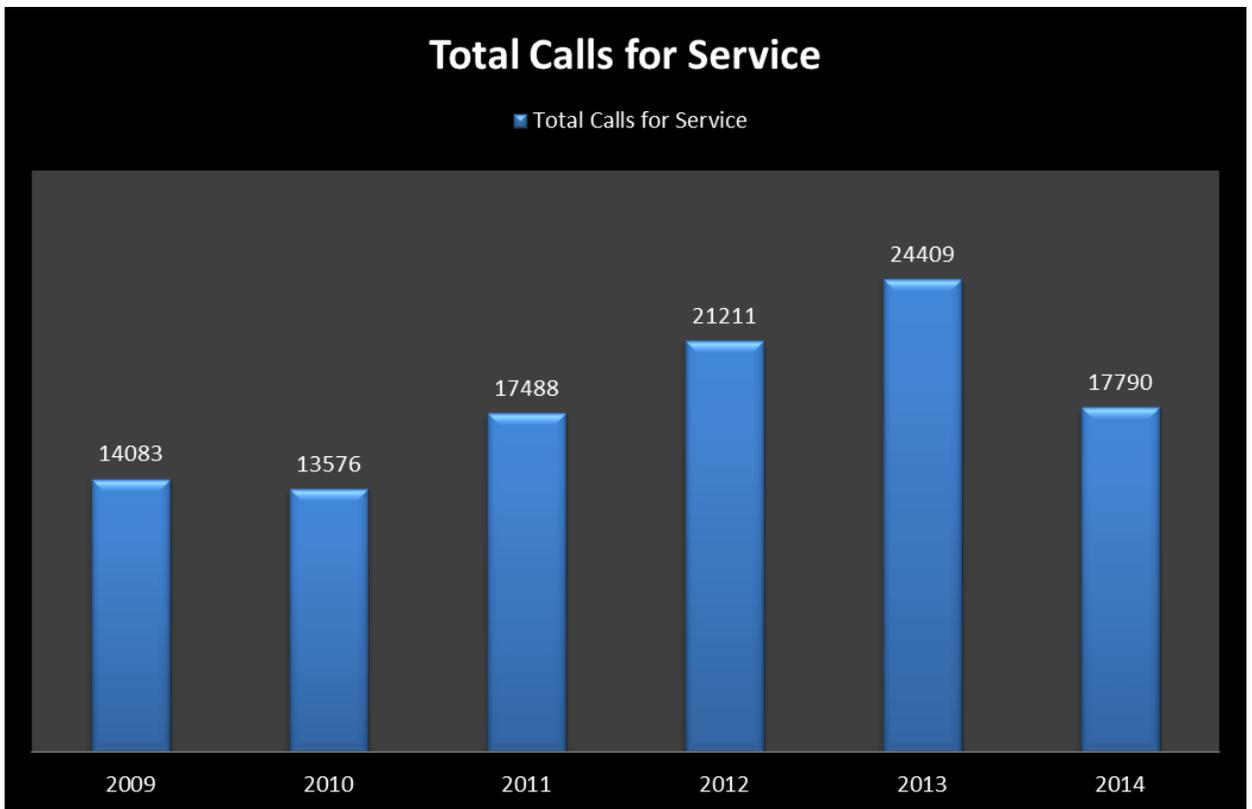
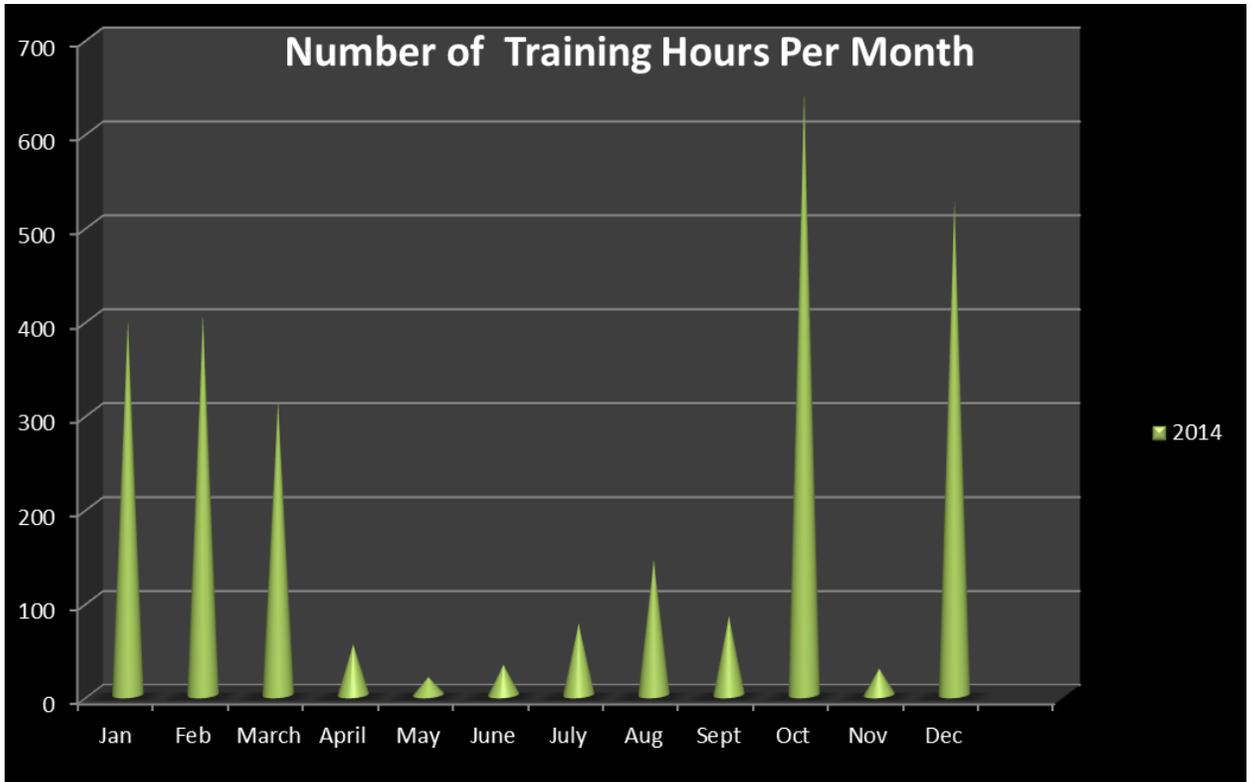
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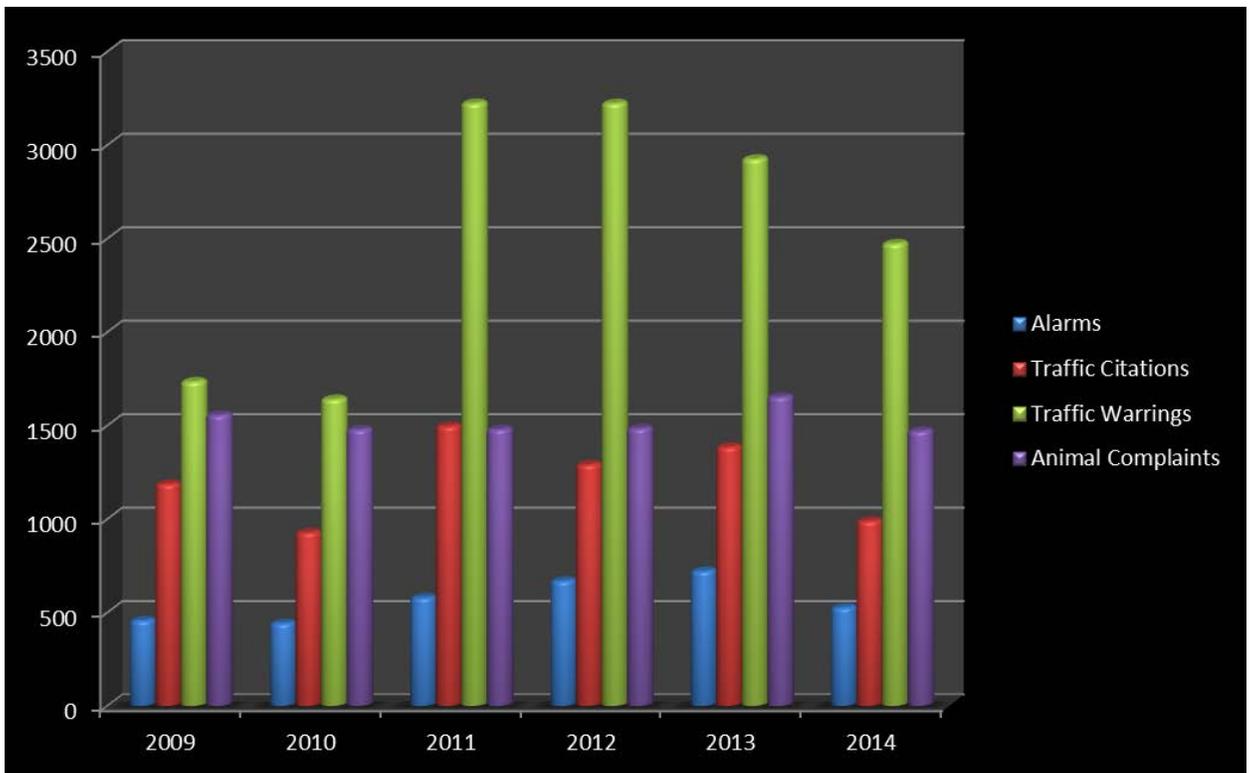
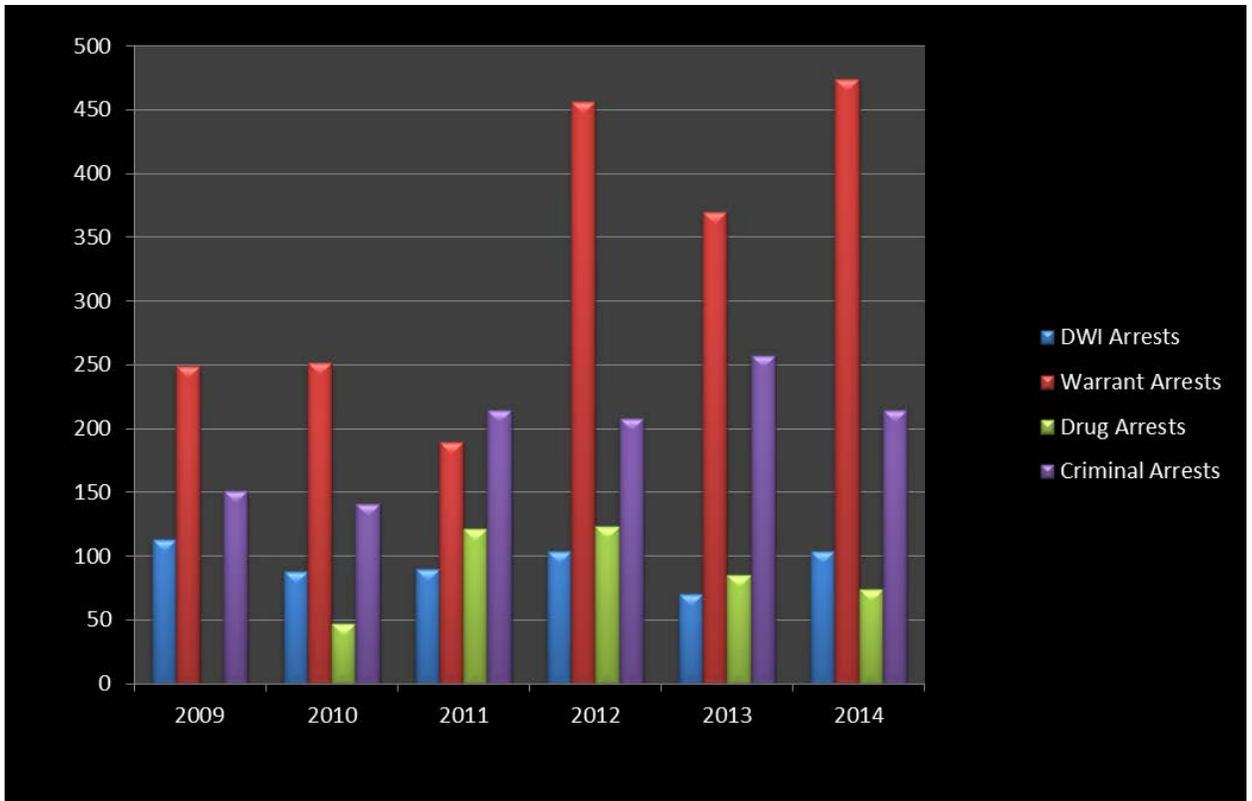
DATE	PERSONNEL	Course	HOURS
Jan/Feb	Dowell, Green, Sabby, McCoy, Whitehead, Lopez, Bunch, Trammell, Spann, Hudgens, Jordan, Palmer, Dickey, Vanatta, Roberts, Wallace, Deason, Hughes, Bowman, Henson	Taser	76
Jan/Feb	Green, Sabby, McCoy, Whitehead, Lopez, Bunch, Trammell, Spann, Jordan, Palmer, Dickey, Vanatta, Roberts, Wallace, Deason, Henson, Hughes, Hudgens, Bowman, Dowell, Wilson	PPCT	504
Jan/Feb	Green, Sabby, McCoy, Whitehead, Lopez, Bunch, Trammell, Spann, Jordan, Palmer, Dickey, Vanatta, Roberts, Wallace, Deason, Bowman, Kugler, Harmon, Cook, Henson, Wilson	Use of force	72
Jan/Feb	Wallace, Roberts, Vanatta, Dickey, Palmer, Jordan, Deason, Spann, Trammell, Bunch, Lopez, Whitehead, McCoy, Sabby, Green, Henson, Ed Williams, Wilson	Less Lethal	72
Jan/Feb	Wallace, Roberts, Vanatta, Dickey, Palmer, Jordan, Deason, Harmon, Spann, Trammell, Bunch, Lopez, Whitehead, McCoy, Sabby, Green, Kugler, Wilson, E. Williams, Cook, Dowell, Henson, Hudgens, Hughes	Below 100	72
Jan	Bowman	Level 2 Recert	2

February	Dowell, Green, Sabby, Whitehead, Lopez, Bunch, Trammell, Spann, Hudgens, Jordan, Palmer, Dickey, Vanatta, Roberts, Wallace, Deason, Henson, E. Williams, Bowman, Kugler, Harmon, Cook, Shrum, Farmer, Hudgens, Bowman, Wilson, Hughes	Sexual Harrasment	84
February	Dowell, Green, Sabby, Whitehead, Lopez, Bunch, Trammell, Spann, Hudgens, Jordan, Palmer, Dickey, Vanatta, Roberts, Wallace, Deason, Henson, E. Williams, Bowman, Kugler, Harmon, Cook, Shrum, Farmer, Hudgens, Bowman, Wilson, Hughes	Racial Profiling	56
February	Vanatta	DRE Refresher	8
March	Green, Hudgens, Williams, Palmer	Narc Invest for Patrol	96
March	Whitehead, Lopez, Sabby, McCoy	Street Survival	64
March	Green, Palmer, Spann, Rodney	Radar	45
March	Vanatta, Deason	STAT Method Instructor	32
March	Whitehead	Crime Scene First Responder	2
March	Bowman	Animal Fighting/Animal Cruelty	3
March	Cook	Foundations of Supervision	24
March	Cook	Princciples of Supervision	24
March	Roberts	Reid Interview/Advanced Reid	24
April	E. Williams, Shrum	Major Case Conference	48
April	Dowell,	Bulletproof Mind	6
May	Cook	Law Enfor Resp to per w/behav	7
May	Kugler, Roberts	Crime Scene First Responder	4
May	Spann, Vanatta	ACIC Level 1	8

June	Wilson	BAC Operator	8
June	Deason	SHARP Instructor	24
July	Hughes, Sabby, Henson	Domestic Terrorism	24
July	Warren	Terminal Operations	4
July	Green, Bunch, Hudgens	Street Survival	48
August	Sabby, Lopez	FTO	80
August	Jordan, E. Williams	Law Enfor Controlled Deliveries	32
August	Cook	Basic Spanish for Law Enfor	24
August	Warren	ICS 100	8
Sept	Green, Hughes, Jordan, Vanatta, Palmer, Lopez, Trammell, Hudgens, Henson, Wilson, Conn	Stop Stick	20
Sept	Cook, Farmer, Shrum, Harmon	IS-701a, IS-702a, IS-703a	60
Sept	Warren	IS-700	4
October	Farmer, Cook, Kugler, E. Williams, Shrum, J. Blake, Green, Sabby, Hughes, Jordan, Vanatta, Wallace, Palmer, Lopez, Bunch, Trammell, Spann, Hudgens, Henson, Roberts, Wilson, Deason, Warren	Fall Quals	92
October	Harmon	Mexican Cartel Wars	6
October	Trammel, Vanatta	Radar Refresher	12
October	Warren	ALETA Basic	480
October	Warren	Radar	16
October	Warren	SFST	28
October	Warren	BAC Operator	8
October	Conn	CPR	2
November	Conn	Sobriety Checkpoint Tech	4

November	Kugler, Shrum, E. Williams	2014 Law Enfor Summit	24
December	Conn	ALETA Basic	480
December	Conn	Civil Process	4
December	Conn	Advanced Driving Seminar	4
December	Conn	Radar	24
December	Conn	ICS 100	8
December	Conn	IS 700	8
Total Personnel Trained	30	Total	2869





Criminal Investigation Division

The Bella Vista Police Department Criminal Investigations Division is a three person team; Lt Barb Shrum, Detectives Ed Williams and Mike Kugler. Between the three of us there are 67 years working in the law enforcement field. Of those years all but 5 were worked in Bella Vista. Your Bella Vista Criminal Investigations team has a total of 21 years working felony investigations. Once a report is made to the BVPD, it may be forwarded to CID for further investigations, and possibly (hopefully) felony charges. We pursue the cases that need more than the few hours of work that can be devoted to it by the field officers.



CID has more freedom to carry the investigation out of Bella Vista into neighboring cities and states. Last year we went to Heavener, OK to recover stolen property and interview residential burglary suspects. They had been on a spree of burglaries, forgeries, thefts, and drug deals that started in Bella Vista. Their next stop was Rogers to cash forged/stolen checks. Mount Ida to steal from one guy's mama and pawn many of the items stolen in BV and off to Fort Smith for a drug trade for a stolen computer. Their final stop was another drug deal that was circumvented by a police officer in Heavener, OK.

Criminal investigations are a lot like working on 5000 piece puzzles. Sometimes we get all the pieces to fall together easily. Other times we need outside assistance to put it all together. CID works closely with all the other agencies in NW Arkansas.

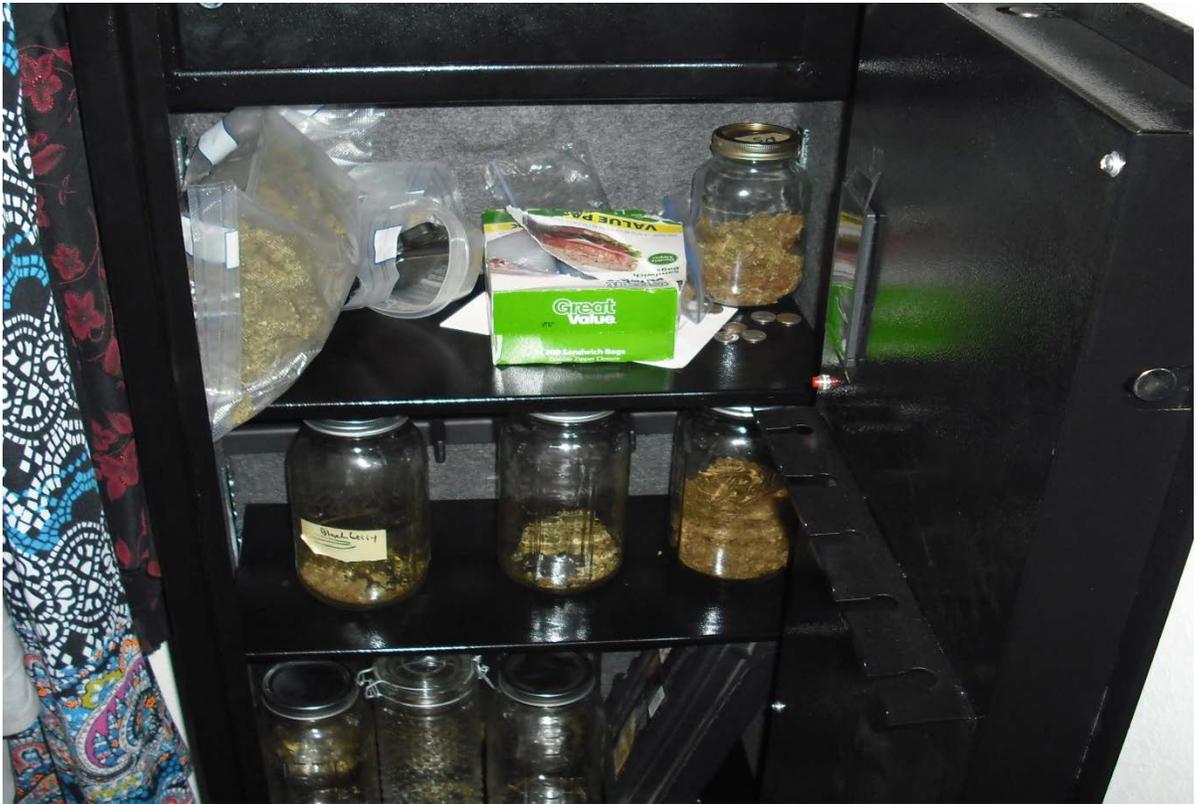
All three members of CID, and Cpl. Jordan (K9), are also members of NW AR CART. (Child Abduction Response Team) We attended one week of specific training in response to child abductions. The team meets quarterly and once a year we have a mock abduction to hone our response skills. The photo below was from our training in January which took place in Siloam Springs. Agencies represented include; Cave Springs, Lowell, Benton County, Bentonville, Rogers, Siloam, Pea Ridge and the Children's Advocacy Center. Colleen Nick is also a member of our team.





The photo above is of a typical well-kept Bella Vista home. When police officers respond to any home in Bella Vista there is no way of knowing what will be inside the home. We can't breathe easy when we walk into this home any more than we can immediately jump to conclusions walking up to the one pictured below. In which would you expect to find illegal drugs?

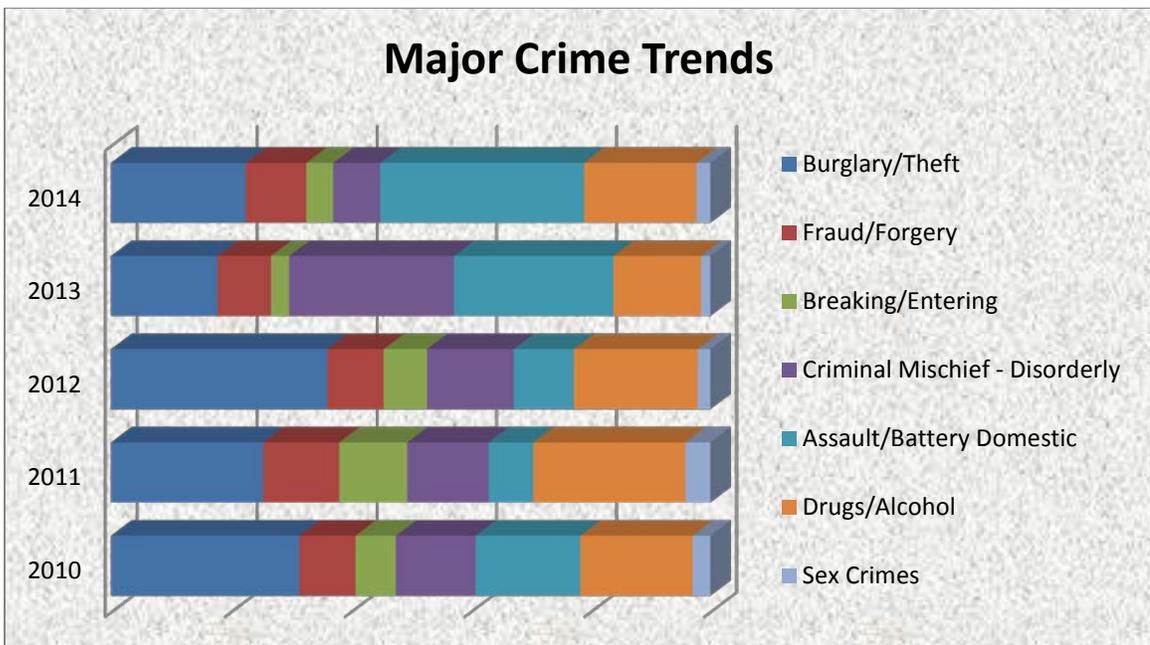
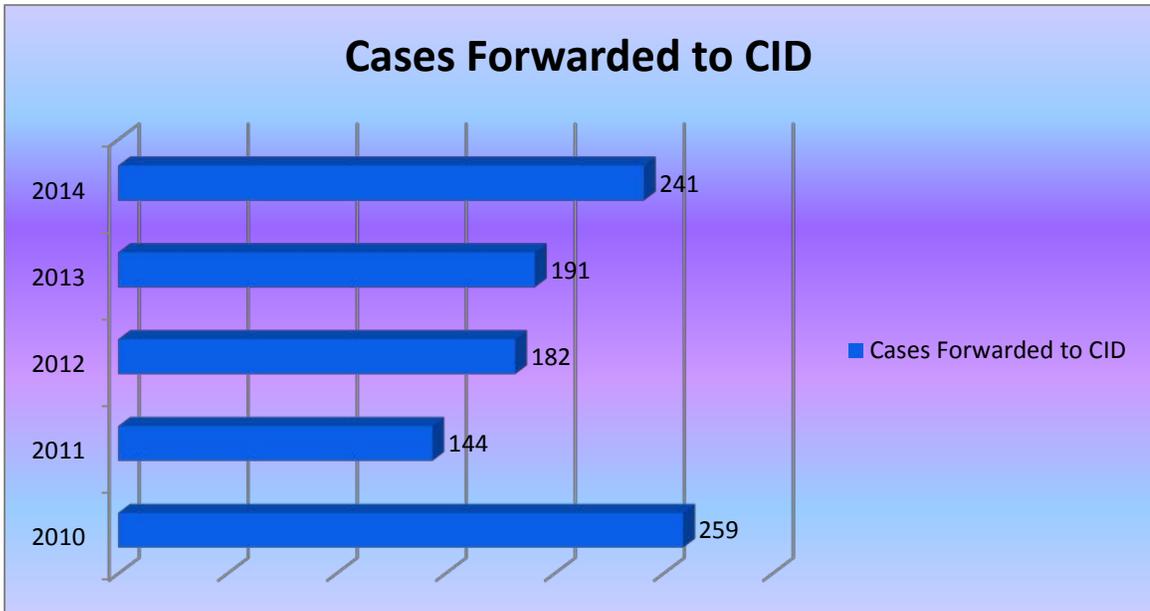


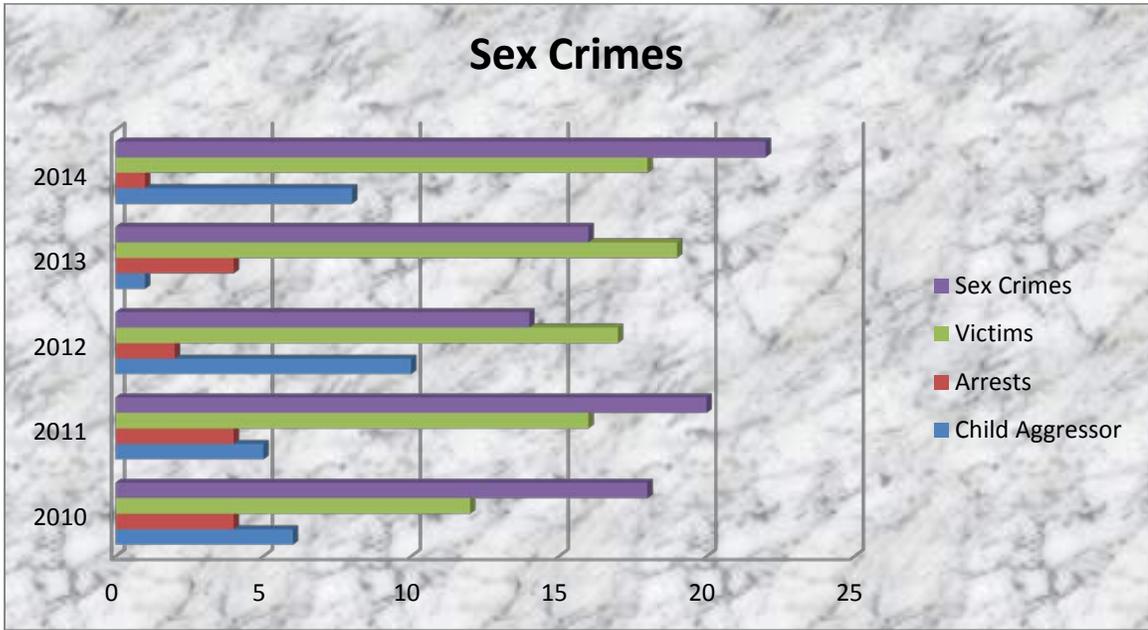


5 pounds of marijuana and \$19,000 was found in the first house.

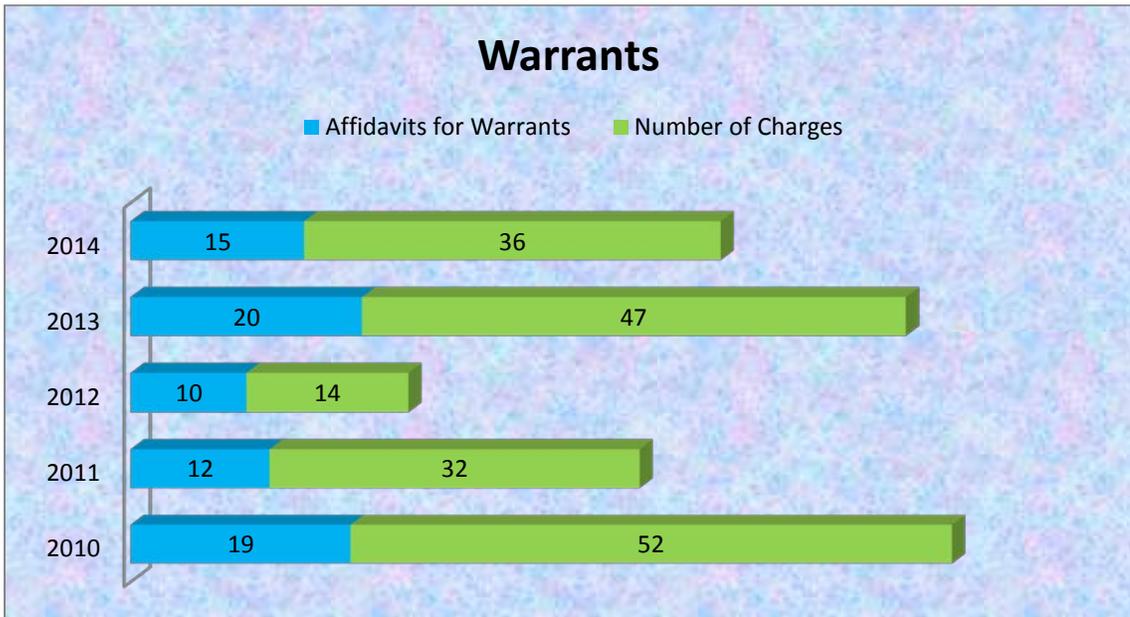


2014 saw an increase in the number of cases forwarded to CID for further investigation of possible felony charges. This represents a 27% increase.





Sex crimes perpetrated by under-age aggressors made a huge increase last year. These are child on child crimes and often they are handled through the juvenile court system so these aggressors are never arrested. Only the most invasive crimes such as a forced rape will result in a warrant being issued and the child being physically arrested.



BVPD YEARLY ACTIVITY						
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Traffic Related						
Accident	447	429	421	452	483	411
Traffic Complaint	938	954	1065	1099	1294	1194
Traffic Citation	1185	926	1495	1289	1384	988
Traffic Warning	1734	1640	3223	3222	2925	2472
Total	4304	3949	6204	6062	6086	5065
Criminal						
B & E	81	41	52	51	32	43
Burglary	42	35	22	49	33	27
Theft	196	171	172	220	155	186
Robbery	0	0	0	1	1	0
Sex Offense	38	26	23	13	15	22
Domestics	243	194	196	214	226	224
Drugs	90	47	121	123	85	74
Assault	53	66	65	67	55	56
Arson	2	0	0	0	2	1
Trespassing	17	21	27	27	21	17
Fraud/Forgery	76	69	78	61	94	96
Homicide	0	0	0	1	1	0
Total	838	670	756	827	720	746
Other						
Death	31	33	23	19	25	24
Civil	243	237	242	244	293	347
Harassment/Threats	141	138	181	203	188	158
Juvenile	93	87	100	69	47	62
Kidnapping	3	1	2	3	3	2
Suicide/Attempts	34	33	32	26	29	24
Vandalism (incl Trash)	81	113	100	104	103	74
Environmental (Trash)	35	33	30	29	44	34
Total	661	675	710	697	732	725
Arrests						
Criminal	151	141	214	208	257	214
Warrants	249	252	189	456	370	474
Domestic Abuse	30	27	30	48	50	43
DWI	113	88	90	104	70	104
Total	543	508	523	816	747	835
Miscellaneous						
911 Hangup Calls	133	112	135	137	124	94
Alarms	456	441	578	668	721	525
Animal Complaints	1555	1478	1479	1483	1652	1470
Assist	419	950	1765	2595	5639	3515
Found/Recovered Property	58	43	51	67	74	50
Lost/Stolen	32	52	35	44	48	39
City Ordinances	233	159	147	341	251	212
Total	2886	3235	4190	5329	8509	5905
Public Service						
Open Door	153	285	196	296	206	111
House Checks	9776	5793	4416	5142	3410	2755
Business Checks	15282	10950	11564	18052	15877	12686
Church Checks	5567	3843	2854	4587	3648	3008
Total	30778	20871	19030	28077	23141	18560
Total Calls For Service	14083	13567	17488	21211	24409	17790
Patrol Miles Driven	357840	356612	437285	484956	499148	444232

Accidents by Intersections

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Pinion Valley	3	3	3	5	1	6	6
340/71	7	6	15	9	6	4	11
Mercy**	30	30	33	27	35	38	35
Oldham/Sonic	18	34	31	32	39	14	21
Riordan	16	15	14	13	8	12	18
Kingsland	2	7	7	5	2	5	1
Trafalgar	15	9	14	12	10	13	12
Wellington	1	3	4	1	3	2	6
Hampstead	6	7	5	8	6	6	8
State Line	3	7	4	6	8	1	4
71 Other	35	10	12	14	9	11	18
BC 40 *							6
Total	136	131	142	132	127	112	146
Hwy 340	43	43	35	54	53	40	47
Hwy 279			28	23	23	34	18
Grand Total	179	174	205	209	203	186	211
Fatalities	0	1	4	1	2	1	3
All Accidents	440	447	429	421	452	483	411

*1st year in city limits & only one side of intersection is in the city limits

**Previously named Dartmoor



April was child abuse awareness month.



Over 700lbs of prescriptions taken at drug take back event.



K9 Camo training with the help of Dispatcher Larson.



Judge Bunch administering the Deputy Sheriff oath.



Shop with a Cop