

June, 2007

Mayor Bernie Hovey
Village of Silver Lake
2961 Kent Road
Silver Lake, Ohio 44224

Re: Police Department – 2006 Annual Report

Dear Mayor:

On behalf of the officers and staff of the Silver Lake Police Department, I am pleased to submit the 2006 Annual Report for your review.

Our 2006-2007 goals have been met with the exception of not purchasing a replacement cruiser in 2006. To date, a new 2007 cruiser is in the process of going on-line and two of the existing three older VHS camera systems are being replaced with digital systems. The 800 MHz radio equipment has been purchased and is waiting to be installed. The new radio system should be in full operation by the end of 2007 when the new dispatch center becomes operational.

Goals for 2007-2008 include filling two vacant part-time positions and two vacant reserve officer positions. We also intend to replace another cruiser, upgrade one MDT (Mobile Data Terminal), replace the last VHS camera system, and add 'less than lethal' weapons to our armament inventory.

Training expectations for 2007 are consistent with budget limitations. Sgt. Dann Nivens has been accepted to attend the Police Executive Leadership College (PELC) starting in January 2008. The cost of this training is being covered by a full grant in cooperation with the Ohio Chief's of Police Association and the PELC Alumni Board.

Activity levels for 2006 are slightly lower but consistent with previous years. A total of 2,695 Service Calls for 2006 vs. 3,194 for 2005 is a decrease of 499 calls or 18%.

Overall, 2006 was a productive and stable year for the police department.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary W. DeMoss
Chief of Police

Village of Silver Lake Police Department Mission Statement

It will be the objective of every member of The Silver Lake Police Department to render the highest quality of service on a consistent basis to the citizens of The Village of Silver Lake as well as the public at large. To perform our daily functions with a high sense of professionalism and humanity, to maintain and further develop the trust and confidence needed to be effective in the community.

It will be the responsibility of every member of The Village of Silver Lake Police Department to seek out whatever means necessary to fulfill this goal, utilizing maximum effort and at the same time, the least amount of force possible.

We shall strive to remain unbiased and politically unbound, so that we can make fair and just decisions and enforce the laws we have sworn to uphold, and to guarantee the safety and morale of all concerned. Striving to fulfill this objective will sustain a law enforcement agency that is capable of providing a safe and secure environment for the residents and employees of The Village of Silver Lake.

Village of Silver Lake Police Department
Personnel & Job Assignments

Chief Gary W. DeMoss

Thirty-two years of service with the Village of Silver Lake. Oversees all department operations and media relations (P.I.O.).

Lieutenant Carl R. Harrison

Twenty-eight years of service. Juvenile Diversion Program, Impounded Property and Evidence, Immobilized and Junk Motor Vehicles, Parking Citation Fine Collection and Warrant Processing, Warrant Processing, and Communications & Equipment Technician.

Sergeant Mark D. Kennemuth

Twenty-six years of service. OVI Task Force Coordinator; Supervisor of the Patrol Division, Bike Patrol, Vacation Home Watch Program, Warrant Service, Vehicle and Residential Lockouts, Parking Enforcement, Physical Fitness Program, Field Officer Training Program, and Firearms Training.

Sergeant Dann M. Nivens

Eighteen years of service. Detective Bureau & Investigations, EMA & Homeland Security Operations, Training and Equipment.

Officer Jeffrey A. Phillips

Thirteen years of service. Court Liaison, School Resource Officer/Educational Safety Officer, Public Relations Programs, C.O.P. Crime Watch Programs.

Detective/Officer Jamie B. Norris

Ten years of service. FTO Coordinator, Juvenile/Youth Division Officer, Department Training Coordinator, P.T. Fitness Program, Detective/Investigations Bureau.

Officer Jeffrey M. Samaco

Six years of service. Public Relations Programs, Senior Watch Program, Physical Fitness Program, U.S. Marshal's Fugitive Task Force Detail.

Officer Erik N. Dirker

Three years of service. Metro SWAT Representative, Firearms Training.

Part Time Officers

Robert G. Simone – Twenty-four years of service.

Tracey L. Harper – Six years of service.

Jeffery P. Smith – Four years of service.

Andre S. Justice – Two years of service. (with additional two years as a Reserve Officer).

Cindi Smith Partin

Administrative/Deputy Clerk, Records, Staff Secretary.

Cathy Schultz

Animal Control Officer

Reserve Officers

Michael Damme – Sworn In April 2004, resigned March 2006 (moved out of state)

Scott Keenan – Sworn In May 2006, resigned same month (moved out of state)

Blake Rising – Sworn In May 2006, resigned same month (moved out of state)

Dominic Simko – Sworn In May 2006, resigned October 2006 (hired by local agency)

Jerry Schweitzer, PhD – Sworn In September 2006

Zachary Hudson – Sworn In December 2006

Eric Hendrickson, Jr. – Sworn In December 2006

Village of Silver Lake Police Department
Department Vehicles
Mileage Report
2006

Car #1
2005 Ford Expedition, Service Vehicle
In Service 04/2005

Mileage on 01-01-07	30204
Mileage on 01-01-06	12940
Total for 2006	17264

Car # 4
2003 Ford Crown Victoria, Police Special
In Service 02/2003

Mileage on 01-01-07	83001
Mileage on 01-01-06	63285
Total for 2006	19716

Car # 2
2002 Ford Crown Victoria, Police Special
In Service 04/2002

Mileage on 01-01-07	133983
Mileage on 01-01-06	106485
Total for 2006	27498

Car # 5
1999 GMC Station Wagon
In Service 11/2003

Mileage on 01-01-07	139544
Mileage on 01-01-06	128950
Total for 2006	10594

Car # 3
2001 Ford Crown Victoria, Police Special
In Service 05/2001

Mileage on 01-01-07	109439
Mileage on 01-01-06	98224
Total for 2006	11215

Total For All Vehicles: 86,287

Patrol Division Statistics

<i>Year</i>	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Traffic Warning Citations	710	922	880	496	526
Traffic Citations	678	896	834	990	975
Parking Citations	53	49	99	115	160
Minor Misdemeanor Citations	6	8	16	17	23
OVI Arrests	40	45	35	22	27
Felony Arrests	4	6	4	9	4
Misdemeanor Arrests	22	38	17	36	39
Traffic Crashes	31	55	60	78	102

Traffic Citations by Classification

Failure to Stop at a Red Light	9	Parking	53
Failure To Control	28	Speed - 25 mph zone	18
No Operator's License	11	Speed - 35 mph zone	287
Expired License Plates	29	Minor Misdemeanor Citations	14
Assured Clear Distance Ahead	14	Failure to Stop at a Stop Sign	1
Driving Under Suspension	59	Unsafe Lane Change	11
Window Tint	41	Starting and Backing	1
No Seat Belt	39	Child Restraint Seat	1
Left of Center	9	Right of Way	3
OVI	63	Miscellaneous Categories	43
BAC (Blood/Breath/Urine)	5	TOTAL CITATIONS ISSUED	739

Calls for Service

<i>Year</i>	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
B&E	3	4	3	7	6
Theft	25	20	12	21	29
Alarm Drops	70	66	75	96	119
Criminal Mischief	14	8	10	14	11
Motorist Assistance	108	142	129	163	145
Domestic Situations	14	44	11	14	15
Fire/EMS Assists	96	106	69	61	127
Fireworks Complaints	1	4	6	1	4
Found Property	30	18	12	23	14
Juvenile Complaints	19	25	19	39	28
Open Doors/Windows	50	43	47	51	41
Soliciting Complaints	10	8	19	8	18
Suspicious Persons	60	48	60	55	64
Suspicious Vehicles	85	74	60	79	99
Incomplete 911 Calls	29	48	36	45	40
Animal Complaints	54	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Welfare Checks	85	82	80	25	21
Unclassified	1942				
2006 Total	2695				

Lieutenant's Command

Lt. Carl Harrison supervises the Juvenile Diversion Program with Det./Ofc. Jamie Norris. Also under the lieutenant's command are the Impounded Property and Evidence, Immobilized Vehicles, Parking Citation Fine Collection, Warrant Processing and the department schedule.

Detective Bureau

The Detective Bureau investigated 26 significant cases and provided follow-up on routine, daily minor cases. Two cases are active and 24 cases are closed. The detective bureau also conducts all background investigations for potential police candidates.

Juvenile Diversion Program

The program processed 18 juvenile cases during 2006. The Silver Lake Police Department Diversion Program heard six cases and 12 were referred to outside agencies.

Parking Fine Collection

A total of 53 Parking Citations were issued in 2006 with 49 citations paid, collecting \$868.00 in fine monies. One ticket was voided.

Warrant Processing

As of December 31, 2006 the department had 94 outstanding warrants. Forty-two were issued in 2006 and 35 were cancelled or cleared.

Immobilized/Junk Motor Vehicles

The department immobilized zero vehicles in 2006.

School Resource Officer

The school resource program continues to be positive collaboration. Officer Phillips works closely with the school administration, teachers, students and parents with various school events. Chief DeMoss and Officer Phillips taught Safety Belt and Stranger Danger programs respectively.

Community Service

In 2006 a total of 24 people were assigned to perform community service projects by Cuyahoga Falls Municipal Court. A total of 184 community services hours were completed.

Silver Lake C.O.P.S. Senior Visitation Initiative

At the end of 2006 the C.O.P.S. Senior Visitation Initiative had a total of 13 participating members. The program continues to provide a working partnership between the police department and the senior population of the community. Officers participate in the monthly Silver Lake AARP meetings. Officer Jeffery Samaco is the program coordinator.

U.S. Marshals Violent Fugitive Task Force

The task force was established in 2003 to apprehend violent fugitives that have fled from justice and are hiding in neighborhoods throughout the state and country. The task force comprises of multi-jurisdictional police agencies and the U.S. Marshal's Service/U.S. Department of Justice. Officer Jeffery Samaco is a member of this elite group and has assisted in numerous arrests which make this community and our surrounding neighborhoods safer places to live and work.

Firearms Training Program

In 2006 all Silver Lake Police Department officers received the required state firearms qualification consisting of two shoots, one for handgun and one for shotgun. Officers qualified with their off duty firearms during the handgun shoot. Reserve officers that joined our ranks this year were qualified with the shotguns. During the shotgun shoot, officers received additional training consisting of 'move and shoot' firing along with transitions from the shotgun to the pistol while engaging targets.

Reserve Unit

The Reserve Unit of the Silver Lake Police Department is supervised by Sgt. Dann Nivens. In 2006 the reserve officers donated a total of 263 hours assisting the department with vacation home checks, traffic control, riding with sworn officers, and assisting with community relations events.

Reserve officers also participate in some in-service training, such as firearms, first aid and AED/CPR, and changes in laws as they relate to law enforcement.

Vacation Home Watch

In 2006, 178 requests were made of the department for vacation home watches. Officers checked homes a total of 485 times.

Animal Control

Ms. Cathy Schultz, the Animal Control Officer, is licensed by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources as a Wildlife Trapper and Consultant. Ms. Schultz patrolled over 1900 miles and logged over 320 hours responding to animal complaints in the Village of Silver Lake.

2006 Training

Chief DeMoss

Module 16 MAC System, M-480 Multi-Agency Coordinating Group
(*National Wildfire Coordinating Group*)
Integrated Emergency Management Course (*FEMA*)
2006 Chiefs' In-Service (*OACP*)
PELC Annual Retrainer (*PELCAA*)
NIMS: Intermediate Incident Command System (*Ohio Fire Academy*)

Lt. Harrison

i-SAFE Program Leader and Classroom Instructor (*i-SAFE America Safe Schools Education Initiative Professional Development Program*)
Annual Training Conference of Juvenile Officers (*OPJOA*)
Operation: Street Smart Train the Trainer (*Ohio School Resource Officers Assn.*)
IS-00200 ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents (*FEMA*)
PELC Annual Retrainer (*PELCAA*)
Heartsaver AED (*Stow Fire Department*)
Turning Conflict into Cooperation (*OPOTA/Summit County Blue Coats*)

Sgt. Kennemuth

BAC DataMaster (*Ohio Dept. of Health, Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Testing*)
PELC Annual Retrainer (*PELCAA*)
Performance Improvement Program (*Van Meter & Assoc., Inc.*)
Heartsaver AED (*Stow Fire Department*)
Performance Improvement Program (*Van Meter & Associates*)
Ohio Attorney General's 2006 Conference on Law Enforcement (*State of Ohio*)

Sgt. Nivens

BAC DataMaster (*Ohio Dept. of Health, Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Testing*)
Heartsaver AED (*Stow Fire Department*)
Ohio Attorney General's 2006 Conference on Law Enforcement (*State of Ohio*)
Turning Conflict into Cooperation (*OPOTA/Summit County Blue Coats*)

Ofc. Phillips

BAC DataMaster (*Ohio Dept. of Health, Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Testing*)
Operation: Street Smart Train the Trainer (*Ohio School Resource Officers Assn.*)
Pipeline Emergency Response (*SafetyComm*)
IS-00700 National Incident Management System (NIMS), an Introduction (*FEMA*)
Operation Street Smart: Train the Trainer (*Ohio School Resource Officer Assn.*)
Creating Safe Learning Environments Conference (*Ohio Assn. of Chiefs of Police*)
Heartsaver AED (*Stow Fire Department*)

Det./Ofc. Norris

BAC DataMaster (*Ohio Dept. of Health, Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Testing*)
i-SAFE Program Leader and Classroom Instructor (*i-SAFE America Safe Schools Education Initiative Professional Development Program*)
Annual Training Conference of Juvenile Officers (*OPJOA*)
Operation: Street Smart Train the Trainer (*Ohio School Resource Officers Assn.*)
IS-00700 National Incident Management System (NIMS), an Introduction (*FEMA*)
Heartsaver AED (*Stow Fire Department*)
Medical Evidence in Domestic Violence Cases (*Summit County Prosecutor's Office*)

Ofc. Samaco

Key to Longevity for the New Officer Workshop (*OACP*)
BAC DataMaster (*Ohio Dept. of Health, Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Testing*)
IS-00700 National Incident Management System (NIMS), an Introduction (*FEMA*)
Heartsaver AED (*Stow Fire Department*)

Ofc. Dirker

Key to Longevity for the New Officer Workshop (*OACP*)
IS-00700 National Incident Management System (NIMS), an Introduction (*FEMA*)
Heartsaver AED (*Stow Fire Department*)
Semi Auto Pistol Instructor (*Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy*)
Instructor, Ohio Law Enforcement Firearms Requalification Program (*Ohio Attorney General*)

Ofc. Simone

Heartsaver AED (*Stow Fire Department*)

Ofc. Harper

BAC DataMaster (*Ohio Dept. of Health, Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Testing*)

Ofc. Smith

BAC DataMaster (*Ohio Dept. of Health, Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Testing*)
Emergency Resource Management (*Emergency Management of Summit County*)
Mass Casualty Plan (*Emergency Management of Summit County*)
IS-00700 National Incident Management System (NIMS), an Introduction (*FEMA*)
Heartsaver AED (*Stow Fire Department*)

Ofc. Justice

BAC DataMaster (*Ohio Dept. of Health, Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Testing*)
Heartsaver AED (*Stow Fire Department*)

R/O Schweitzer

Heartsaver AED (*Stow Fire Department*)