

2007 POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT

The police department consolidated and expanded upon many of its crime prevention programs during 2007.

The department's Home Page (www.cherryhillspolice.com) was vastly improved and modernized by Detective Jake Campbell. It has current information about the department, topical crime prevention tips, links to other law enforcement websites, the Traffic Hotline, Special Needs Registry, animal control and code enforcement information sections and a place for citizens to comment on police services.

The department successfully handled several dignitary visits during the year. Senators Hillary Clinton, and Mitch McConnell were guests at private residences – each visit required police planning and coordination with adjacent law enforcement agencies and the U.S. Secret Service. The department remains involved in the planning process for the Democratic National Convention, which will be held later this year in Denver.

The department was involved in several other special events during the year: three police and/or fire fighter funerals, Dolphin Dash, Community Fair, Special Olympics Torch Run, Avon Breast Cancer Walk, and several year-end holiday events.

Sadly, in January 2007, Officer Angel Strickland was medically retired from the department – Angel will be sorely missed – her contributions were many. Three police officers began their employment with the City during the year: Jerry Stinnett (Frisco P.D. – ten years experience); Steve Hart (reserve police officer with Cherry Hills Village for 20 years); Casey Firko (Douglas County Sheriff's Office – three years experience).

Officer Will Sparks was assigned to the South Metro Drug Task Force – he was the first Cherry Hills Village officer to work on the drug task force in many years. Will did an exceptional job and was complimented on several occasions by the drug task force's supervisory staff. While there is virtually no "street

level" drug activity occurring in Cherry Hills Village, our residents have been victimized by criminals who support their drug habits through thefts, burglaries, and fraud. By aggressively pursuing methamphetamine drug abusers, we have realized a significant reduction in criminal activity in the Village.

Lieutenant Patricia Whitman announced her retirement from the department in January 2008. Pat began her employment with the City in July 1980 – she had a distinguished career with the department. She was the first female Cherry Hills Village police officer to achieve the ranks of sergeant and lieutenant. Pat will be missed.

Promotional processes conducted resulted in the promotion of Will Sparks to sergeant and Jody Sansing to lieutenant which took place in January 2008.

The police department transitioned to a new pay system in 2008 – following City Council approval, the department went to a "Step" pay plan system for our police officers and sergeants. The new plan allows us to be more competitive in recruiting new personnel and retaining "on board" employees.

The department made significant progress in our efforts to improve safety within the City. We have established strong partnership arrangements with various groups in the Village to reduce crime and victimization.

Administrative Staff

Village Center Hours
7:30am - 4pm, Monday - Friday

City Manager

Eric Ensey

Municipal Judge

James Turre

City Attorney

Ken Fellman

City Prosecutor

Suzanne Rogers

Police Chief

John Patterson

Director of Finance & Admin

Karen Proctor

Director of Public Works

Jay Goldie

Planning Manager

Rob Zuccaro

City Clerk

Melissa Formby

Parks Trails & Open Space Admnst

Ryan Berninzoni

City's Administrative Team

Municipal Court Clerk

Jessica Sager

Police Clerk

Sarah Henderson

Community Development Clerk

Matthew Eckenwiler

Public Works/Parks Clerk

Pamela Broyles

Human Resource Analyst

Kerri Losier

STATISTICS	2004	2005	2006	2007	4 year % difference
Traffic Accidents	315	311	288	246	minus 21%
Traffic Citations	3579	3424	2996	3501	minus 2%
Traffic Warnings	NA	1769	1658	2217	plus 25%
DUI Arrests	89	100	147	263	plus 195%
Crime Reports*					
Thefts	55	83	61	54	no change
Burglaries	31	51	39	33	no change
Car Thefts	13	17	14	3	minus 79%
Thefts from cars	31	60	50	19	minus 38%
Vandalism	61	50	35	28	minus 54%
Alarm Calls	989	837	636	532	minus 46%
Arrests	NA	246	250	349	plus 41%
Crime Prevtn Notices	1185	1055	703	1118	minus 5%
Field Interview Cards	NA	174	165	204	plus 17%
(suspicious persons)		*Targeted	Crimes		