

Annual Report

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A New Look at the

Muscatine County

Sheriff's Office

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Another year has come and gone and was a rather quiet one for the Muscatine County Sheriff's Office. We lost three lives to traffic crashes which is still three too many. The efforts of our Deputies to keep everyone safe have paid big dividends. Before we started the initiative in 2009, we had lost 11 lives in 2008. In the last 4 years we have lost 11. Deputies have concentrated on removing unlicensed, revoked, suspended, and barred drivers from the road. They continue to arrest drunk drivers and enforce the speed limits in Muscatine County.



Our new website has been up and running for over a year now and has had over 11,000 hits. The new website provides information on our agency and includes applications for employment and weapon permits. The Civil Division continues to post information on upcoming foreclosure sales. There is a local weather and road report that is updated by Deputies that are on the road to give you accurate information on winter road driving conditions specific to our County. We have also added some historical information on past sheriffs of our county.

We have had many more weapons permits issued in the past year. I supported the "shall issue" legislation that passed, and I believe strongly in your right to defend yourself and your family. Your Second Amendment rights are honored and cherished by my Office.

The Deputies of the Muscatine County Sheriff's Office have been busy in the past year improving their training and equipment. Using a combination of grants and forfeiture funds taken from the criminal element we have been able to make great advances without any increase of local taxes.

Our jail, with the new pod expansion, continues to house over 80 federal inmates as well as over 60 inmates from Johnson County. We have been able to bring in over \$3,000,000 during the last year. This has helped us to reduce our jail operating expense to our local taxpayers by around \$400,000 while also paying off the bond payment on the new expansion using these out of county dollars.

I would like to thank Sgt. Ardyth Orr and Capt. C.J. Ryan for taking time to make this report available to you. And, thank you again for your support during the last election and giving me the opportunity to serve you as your sheriff.



Respectfully yours,

Sheriff Dave White

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The Dodge Charger

Law enforcement all across the nation was left to make choices, when Ford discontinued their production of the Crown Victoria. The Sheriff's Office utilizes a variety of vehicles, but the Dodge Charger is a popular replacement. Its V8 Hemi engine provides plenty of power, while offering up to 25 mpg in highway driving. With state of the art safety and security equipment, the Charger is handling the rigors of patrol duty very well. In 2012 the Sheriff's Office had eight Dodge Chargers in service.



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That was then



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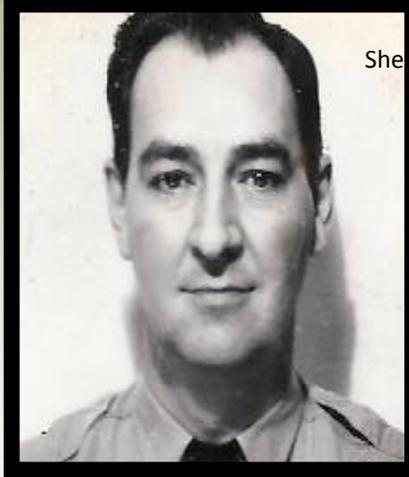
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Former Sheriffs

Sheriff Charles Anson
1954-1960



Sheriff R. Greg Orr
2001-2008



Sheriff Richard Oppelt
1961-1984

Sheriff Ron Hazen
1985-1996



Sheriff Lowell Snyder
1997-2000



In the 55 year time span these sheriffs served, Muscatine County saw many changes and advances in law enforcement and technology.

The Sheriff's Office purchased its first squad cars in 1975. Prior to that, a deputy sheriff had to supply his own car and insurance for the job.

The county provided a radio, light bar, and magnetic door stickers.

Prior to Sheriff Hazen, cellular telephones, computers, and the internet were non-existent. Video and audio taping and 35 mm photography have transitioned into digital mediums.

Squads are now equipped with on board digital recorders and computers.

In 1996 the current jail was built, and Patrol and Investigations were moved to their current location on Park Avenue West. The old jail still stands at 401 Walnut Street, and was also used as the Sheriff's residence at one time.

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Personnel

Sheriff

Dave White

Chief Deputy

Captain C.J. Ryan

2nd Deputy

Captain Dave Lerch

Patrol

Captain Jeff Mullen
Lieutenant Mark Kopf
Sergeant Mike Bailey
Sergeant Mike Schmidt
Corporal Brian Utter
Corporal Matt Bowers
Deputy Craig Burmeister

Deputy Eric Furnas
Deputy Wilfredo Leza
Deputy John Lindner
Deputy Tim McFadon
Deputy Nate Mikell
Deputy Mike Wade
Deputy Bill Wilson

Deputy Dusty Brooks

Investigations

Sergeant Quinn Riess
Sergeant Ardyth Orr

Detective Mike Channon
Detective Courtney Kelley

Civil and Clerical Personnel

Susie Streets – Civil Deputy
Melissa Bailey - Civil Deputy Assistant
Mollie Piatetsky - Receptionist

Laurie Schreurs—Payroll
Brenda Eagle—Records

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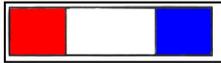


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Years of Service



Corporal Brian Utter
4 years of Service and Good Conduct



Sergeant Mike Bailey
12 years of Service and Good Conduct



Lieutenant Mark Kopf
16 years of Service and Good Conduct



Deputy Craig Burmeister
24 years of Service and Good Conduct



Captain Dave Lerch
24 years of Service and Good Conduct



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Service Commendations

On May 13, 2012, at approximately 9:p.m., Sgt. Orr was off duty in her personal vehicle when she observed what she felt was a suspicious individual on park Avenue in Muscatine. This was a pickup truck pulling a trailer that had several spools of copper wire on the trailer.

Sgt. Orr made contact with the vehicle and driver, and called a uniform patrol squad for back-up. The roadside investigation revealed the driver of the truck had stolen the spools of copper wire from the HON Geneva plant immediately prior to being spotted by Sgt. Orr.

The driver was arrested and prosecuted for the theft.

Being vigilant and observant, even when off duty, is what led to this apprehension. Actions such as this are above and beyond normal duty, and we are glad to present this Commendation for Distinguished Service.



In February of 2012 Detective Channon initiated a drug investigation which took two months to conclude. 7 defendants were charged in State and Federal court, and 7 searches were conducted with the assistance of the City and County SRT teams. 2 firearms, and over \$12,000 were seized. Over 4,000 grams of methamphetamine, 200+ grams of marijuana, and 13 marijuana plants and a small amount of cocaine were seized. Although this was a Drug Task Force investigation, the individual efforts put forth by Det. Channon to bring this case to a successful conclusion were exemplary.

This was the most significant case the Task Force worked in 2012. The hard work put forth in regards to this case is recognized by this Commendation for Distinguished Service.

Throughout the course of 2012, Det. Channon assisted the Iowa Department of Public Safety in working undercover operations on a human trafficking investigation. The operations were conducted in Iowa City, Cedar Rapids, Marion, Des Moines, and Muscatine. The investigations resulted in the arrest of over 100 defendants involved in human trafficking and vice crimes. The Iowa DPS has conveyed Det. Channon's participation and dedication to these projects greatly assisted in making them successful. These were substantial and significant projects which involved multiple hours of planning and executing. These efforts are being recognized with this Commendation for Distinguished Service.

Congratulations to both Sergeant Orr and Detective Channon

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Traffic Safety



Maintaining safety on Muscatine County roads is important for Deputies as well as motorists who use the roadways within the county. Please help us help you.

Move Over Law- (For emergency vehicles at roadside): Upon your approach you **MUST** make a lane change not adjacent to the emergency vehicle, or *if that is not possible*, reduce your speed and be prepared to STOP.

Yield to Emergency Vehicles:

1. You should immediately pull your vehicle off the roadway to the **RIGHT** shoulder of the road.
2. Remain seat belted and stay in your vehicle. Only exit your vehicle if requested to by the deputy.
3. Do **NOT** stop your vehicle in the traveled portion of the highway upon the approach of emergency vehicles.
4. Designate a driver or call for a ride if you've been drinking.
5. Don't drive distracted (texting and cell phone use).
6. Please remember: An OWI can cost you thousands of dollars in fines and other costs, and time in jail.



Be Safe Out There

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Criminal Investigation

Sergeant Quinn Riess and Sergeant Ardyth Orr are currently assigned to the Criminal Investigation Division of the Muscatine County Sheriff's Office. Investigators are assigned cases which are felony level crimes.

CID responsibilities range beyond the investigation of felony crimes to include: Property and evidence room management, regulation of the Sex Offender Registry and investigation of registry violations, intelligence gathering and dissemination of critical information, and assisting the other divisions of the Sheriff's Office as directed.

Investigators work closely with many outside agencies, as most of the crimes investigated cross county lines.

	2010	2011	2012
Total Cases	144	100	125
Burglary	32	31	38
Sex Abuse	15	12	17
Fraud/ID Theft	6	10	12
SOR Violations	36	5	18
Thefts	34	11	19
Death Investigation	2	6	3
Kidnapping	0	0	0
Arson	1	3	2
Homicide	0	0	0
Other	17	22	16



Sex Offender Registry

Part of the responsibility of the Criminal Investigation Division is the Sexual Offender Registry. In 2012 there were approximately 68 sex offenders living in Muscatine County. Because some recent sex offenders have complied with the recommended 10 year sentence, they have been relieved of registering, but Muscatine County has obtained as many new sex offenders.

It is the responsibility of the Sheriff's Office to meet with each offender on a scheduled basis or when pertinent information regarding the sex offender is new or changes. At least one time per year, a physical check is done on each offender. Each offender is required to be photographed annually and pay an annual fee. Information regarding sexual offenders can be obtained by logging on to iowasexoffender.com.

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Public Awareness

Top Scams of 2012

Every year the Muscatine County Sheriff's Office receives complaints from many citizens who have been affected by fraud. Some of the common schemes are identified here.

Our best advice is, "IF it sounds too good to be true, it probably is." Talk with a trusted friend or give your local law enforcement agency a call before you confirm any offer you are doubting.

SCAMS

1. **Overpayment/Fake Check Scam:** A prominent company is offering \$400+ per week for some type of service. They send a check to you, which you are supposed to deposit in your account, then wire part of the payment to someone else who provides the service. Whoops? A week later the check bounces, the company is nowhere to be found, and you are out the money you wired and spent that your bank expects you to repay.
2. **Emergency Scam:** The Grandparents Scam has been around a while, but it's still so prevalent we need to mention it again. Grandchild/niece/nephew/friend is traveling abroad and calls/texts/emails to say he or she has been in an accident or incarcerated and needs money right away ("... Don't tell mom and dad!") Easy rule of thumb, before you wire money in an emergency, check with the supposed victim or their family members to make sure they are really traveling. Odds are they are safe at home.
3. **Employment Scam: Mystery Shopper** If you love to shop, this scam may sound like a dream come true. Be aware, this scam is nothing more than a variation of #1 the overpayment/fake check. Sometimes they even tell you that evaluating the wire service company is part of the job, which is why you need to send back part of the money. The Mystery Shopping Providers Association says it's not the practice of their member to pre-pay shoppers, but if you have your heart set on this type of job, you can find a legitimate gig through their website at <http://www.mysteryshop.org/>.
4. **Advance Fee/Prepayment Scam:** Most of the scams advertise online and promise things like no credit check or easy repayment terms. Then the hook: you have to make the first payment up front, you have to buy an insurance policy, or this is some other kind of fee that you have to pay first to "secure" the loan. This year consumers were threatened with lawsuits and law enforcement action if they didn't "pay back" loans they said they have never even taken out in the first place. Some got calls at the workplace or even to relatives. The embarrassment of being thought of as a delinquent caused some victims to pay even when they knew they didn't owe the money.
5. **Sweepstake/Lottery Scam:** The call comes from Jamaica (area code 876), but the person claims to represent BBB, FBI or some other trusted group. They claim you have won a terrific prize, usually \$2 million and a Mercedes Benz, but you have to pay a fee in order to collect your winnings. There are many variations on this; sometimes it a government grant. Best to just hang up and then file a phone fraud report with the Federal Trade Commission.

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Public Awareness

Buyer
Beware

- Identity Theft Scam:** Top social media sites exploited. You receive a Direct Message from a friend on Twitter regarding a video of you on Facebook. In a panic you click on the link (you are not receiving an updated file, but are exposing your confidential information from your computer or smart phone.) Twitter recommends reporting such spam, resetting your password and revoking connections to third-party applications.
- Home Improvement Scam:** Storm Chaser activity follows some sort of weather emergency or storm activity. They provide tree removal, roofing, and general home repairs. Some are legitimate contractors who come from other areas for the volume of work available, others are unlicensed, uninsured and ill-prepared for the work. Others are out and out scam artists who take the money and never do the work. In an emergency it's tempting to skip reference checking, but that's never a good idea. Next time you need a home repair, find a contractor at the Better Business website or contact a trusted friend.

The sad truth is once you have been "scammed" there is not much law enforcement can do to help you retrieve your loss. If your bank is involved, call them immediately when you realize you have been scammed.

PREVENTION

Lock down your social media profiles. Prevention is probably the best solution to avoid being "scammed." Lock down your social media profiles. Social media is where the majority of your information can potentially be leaked. And if you are using social media, learn about that site's privacy settings.

Secure your smart phone. People are storing banking ,personal and even medical information on their phones. Set up a password, download an antivirus application from your app store and turn off your geo-locator features to protect your information.

Stop providing personal information when unnecessary. Grocery store reward cards, warranty cards for appliances, computers, etc., surveys, online browsers and mobile apps on smart phone are some of the ways information you provide is allowing scammers to find ways which will appeal to you and allow their approach to go unnoticed until you have been scammed.

SCAM COMMONALITIES: **1.** Uses Western Union to transfer funds **2.** Telephone callers have a foreign accent, but use an American name **3.** Always involves sending money or spending money before consumer gets product or services as promised.

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Special Response Team

Tactical Team Members

Capt. C J. Ryan SRT Commander	Deputy Courtney Kelley SRT Operator
Cpl. Matt Bowers Team Leader	Deputy Wilfredo Leza SRT Operator
Sgt. Quinn Riess Assistant Team Leader	Deputy John Lindner SRT Operator
Sgt. Mike Schmidt Assistant Team Leader	Reserve Joe Vogel Tactical Medic
Deputy Eric Furnas SRT Operator	Reserve Mike Hartman Tactical Medic
Cpl. Brian Utter SRT Operator	



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Specialized Teams

Domestic Violence Team

In 2012 the team arrested 22 individuals for domestic assault, with many cases resulting in convictions. These types of cases can require a considerable amount of time.

The Muscatine County Sheriff's Domestic Violence Team Members include:

Deputy John Lindner and Sgt. Mike Bailey

The Muscatine County Domestic Violence Team is subsidized by a Violence Against Women grant and county funding. The deputy is called in to conduct a domestic assault investigation, conduct interviews, and to make an arrest if warranted. The deputy is also responsible for the victim's safety. The deputy will obtain medical help, transportation to a safe place, and family services for the victim.

Team members meet monthly with family service agencies to discuss problems and concerns in an effort to make changes to better meet the needs of victims.



If you are experiencing sexual assault, domestic violence or stalking, please call 911.



Family Resources provides support for victims of abuse, please call 563-263-8080

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Water Rescue



The Muscatine County Sheriff's Office is recognized for their expertise in water and ice rescue. Area public safety agencies as far as Floyd County to the north and Lee County to the south have called upon our agency to assist them in search and rescue.

Muscatine County maintains and operates three rescue/ patrol boats, associated ice rescue equipment, and dive rescue equipment.



Muscatine Firefighter/ Paramedics are cross trained to operate Sheriff's Office boats and equipment and provide rapid paramedic level care on the Mississippi River in the Muscatine area. This has greatly reduced response time and dramatically increased EMS care levels. We would like to thank The City of Muscatine for providing a slip in the boat harbor for a rescue boat during the boating season.

Water and Ice Rescue Team Members

Sheriff Dave White - Swift Water and Ice Rescue Trainer—37 years experience as search and rescue diver
Deputy Eric Furnas – Open Water I Diver, Advance Rescue Diver
Sgt. Quinn Reiss – Open Water II Diver, Adv. Rescue Diver

Sgt. Mike Schmidt – Open Water II Diver, Adv. Rescue Diver
Deputy John Lindner – Open Water II Diver
Capt. Jeff Mullen – Open Water II Diver
Sgt. Ardyth Orr – Open Water II Diver



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K-9



Deputy Dustin Brooks with K9 Aton

Corporal Matt Bowers with K9 Maix

In 2012, both K9 teams contributed to the seizure of over 90 pounds of cannabis, over 5 grams of cocaine, .25 grams of meth, numerous prescription drugs and paraphernalia. Both K9 teams assisted with the seizure of over \$20,000 in drug money and to the location and arrest of several persons which the K9 teams located by tracking and/or conducting building searches.

In 2012, both K9 teams contributed to the prosecution of 45 serious misdemeanor offenses, 17 aggravated misdemeanor offenses, and 9 felony indictments.



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Honor Guard



Pictured here are Sergeant Mike Schmidt, Sergeant Quinn Riess and Deputy John Lindner who participated in the Annual Law Enforcement Memorial Service in May 2012.



The Honor Guard is made up of members of the Sheriff's Office and Sheriff's Patrol. The Guard is used primarily for funeral details (graveside/visitation) as well as various parade functions around the county.

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Reported Crimes

Crimes	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Child Abuse Neglect	13	11	10	13	10
Vehicle Accidents	609	557	547	388	445
Assault	44	33	37	27	15
Burglary	92	81	83	49	84
Criminal Mischief	101	105	81	91	65
Death Investigation	3	6	4	5	3
Disturbance	137	149	132	150	92
DNR Calls - Poaching	5	7	3	6	7
Fight in Progress	45	21	42	37	7
Fraud	33	27	54	58	40
Gas Drive Off	18	3	18	11	6
Harassment/Obscene calls	127	125	133	88	79
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0
Identity Theft	15	13	7	16	12
Intoxicated Person/Driver	116	89	108	80	62
Keep the Peace	51	61	60	51	44
Missing Person	33	40	24	41	25
Reckless Driver	349	357	345	255	287
Robbery	4	2	2	0	1
Sex Abuse	7	17	17	13	17
Stolen Vehicle	12	20	29	21	23
Suicide-Attempted/Threat	29	34	36	45	27
Theft	98	88	80	76	66
Trespass	24	19	18	25	20
Traffic Stop	3153	5744	6681	6580	6620

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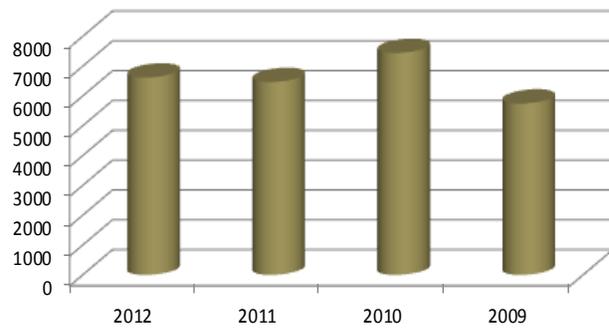
Traffic



Captain Jeff Mullen displays the Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau award for Outstanding Service to the cause of reducing injuries and loss of life in traffic crashes in Iowa.



Traffic contacts made with the public



Corresponding Fatality Rate:

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Patrol



Our current GTSB grant gives the department \$21,800 (approx. 550 hours) for overtime traffic enforcement, \$500 for educational materials, \$22,500 (\$4500 per camera) for five in-car video systems, and \$450 for the purchase of one PBT for a total grant amount of \$45,250. The GTSB grant is truly a win-win situation for Muscatine County.



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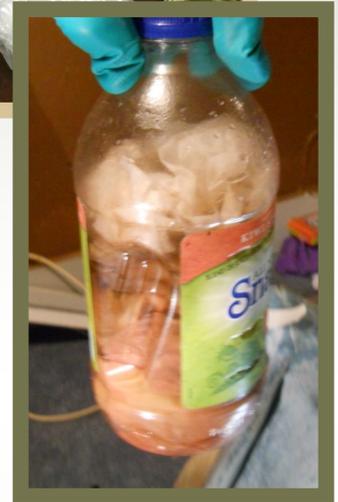
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Drug Task Force



If you have information to report regarding drugs or drug trafficking,

please call the Muscatine County Drug Task Force at 563-263-6372.



Statistics	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Defendants	88	97	82	91	152
Firearms	31	62	36	6	15
Search Warrants	113	104	96	32	155
Marijuana (Grams seized)	523,300	41,957	68,632	14,795	18,168
Cocaine (Grams seized)	1363	39675	1493	4589	160.5
Methamphetamine (Grams seized)	67	72	63	117	4069

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Special Events

Torch Run Participants



New for the 2012 Torch Run, the Muscatine County Sheriff's Office and Muscatine Special Olympics partnered with the Riverside Casino and Golf Resort. Staff members assisted with the ride and provided lunch for the athletes/chaperones at the casino following the ride. We look forward to building on this partnership in the years to come.



Staying in Shape for a Cause



Presentations



Muscatine County Fair

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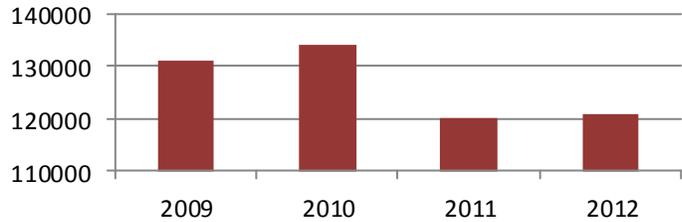
Civil Department



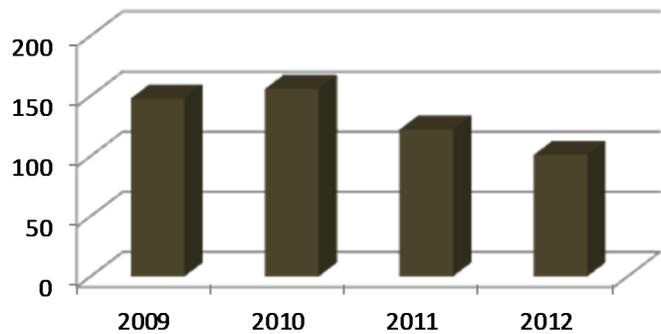
The Civil Department is located at the Muscatine County Jail. The Civil Department is responsible for the service of all court orders issued to the Sheriff. The Civil Department is also responsible for the issuance of gun permits, conducting Sheriff Sales and grant writing for the Domestic Violence and GTSB grants.



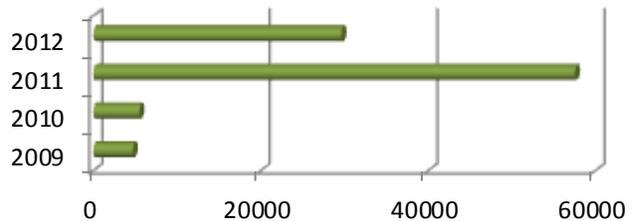
Revenue generated by Civil Department



Total Sheriff Sales



Revenue Generated by Gun Permits



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Jail Personnel

Jail Administrator

Captain Dean Naylor

Assistant Jail Administrator

Lt. Doug Boulton

Command Staff

Lieutenants:

Janet Reed, 1989
Mathew McCleary, 1999
Sid Terry, 1992

Sergeants:

Brian Baars, 2009
Beth Sperstad, 2006
Tim Powell, 1996
John Crump, 2000

Corporals:

Michael Springman, 2001
Ryan Dreyer, 2011
Carlos Martinez, 2010
John Bradley, 1998
Gina Johnson, 2011
Kevin Ritson, 2009
Dominic Wheeler, 2011
Christian Dettbarn, 2010

Correctional Officers

Rick Ash, 1989
Steve Askam, 2000
Angela Beckman, 2005
Kami Brandon, 2009
Cesar Cabrera, 2011
Nicole Carl, 2011
Amiee Chalupa, 2011
Melissa Collins, 2007
Susan Conaway, 2011
Debra Daehn, 2009
Nicholas Doy, 2009

Mike Ellison, 1991
David Fry, 2011
Oscar Garcia, 1998
Kevin Guck, 2011
Molly Haag, 1997
Mandy Heither, 2004
Scott Hendriks, 2000
Lisa Johnson, 1998
Barry Majors, 2011
Chad Morris, 2011

Robert Peniston, 2001
Susan Reed, 2011
Kris Rock, 1998
Jim Sammons, 1996
Phyllis Schumacher, 1996
Timothy Shay Jr., 2006
Donald Smith, 2011
Steve Truitt, 1997
Ron Wagner, 2004
Barb Young, 1999

Part Time Correctional Officers

Chris Brockert 2012	Melissa Plowman 2012
Sara Burroughs 2012	Levi Teitsworth 2012
Timothy Charlett, 2011	Chad Stineman, 2011
Michael Collins 2012	Jennifer Watkins-Schoenig, 2011
James Gonpue 2012	Demitri Wheeler, 2011
Jeff Long, 2009	Gavin Whittaker, 2011
Dwight Kaska, 2011	

Medical Staff

Registered Nurse Christy Reid-Slutts, 2002
LPN'S
Ashley Smith & Gina Wadden 2011

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Service Awards

Muscatine County Jail



Kami Brandon

4 Years Service and Good Conduct



Debra Daehn

4 Years Service and Good Conduct



Nicholas Doy

4 Years Service and Good Conduct



Kevin Ritson

4 Years Service and Good Conduct



Jeff Long

4 Years Service and Good Conduct



Brian Baars

4 Years Service and Good Conduct



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Service Awards

Muscatine County Jail



Angela Beckman

8 Years

Service



Robert Peniston

12 Years Service and Good Conduct



Moly Haag

16 Years Service and Good Conduct



Steve Truitt

16 Years Service and Good Conduct



Rick Ash

24 Years

Service



Doug Boulton

24 Years Service and Good Conduct



Janet Reed

24 Years Service and Good Conduct



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New Correctional Personnel

In 2012 the following people were hired at the Muscatine County Jail as correctional officers.

Top Photo: (Lt. to Rt.) James Gonpue, Claude Daum, and Sara Burroughs



Center Photo: (Lt. to Rt.) Robert Teitsworth, Melissa Plowan, Mike Collins and Chris Brockert



WELCOME !

Nurse Ashley Smith was a new addition to the medical personnel at the Muscatine County Jail.



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Correctional Promotions



Dominic Wheeler joined the Muscatine County Jail in 2011, and he was promoted to Corporal on January 21, 2013. Wheeler currently is assigned to 1st shift .



Gina Johnson joined the Muscatine County Jail in August 2011, and she was promoted to Corporal on June 2, 2012. Johnson is currently assigned to 3rd Shift.



Ryan Dreyer joined the Muscatine County Jail in September 2011, and was promoted to Corporal on November 3, 2012. Dreyer is currently assigned to 2nd Shift.



Chris Dettbarn joined the Muscatine County Jail in May 2010, and he was promoted to Corporal on February 22, 2012. Dettbarn is currently assigned to 2nd Shift.

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Jail Administrator's Message



Over the last year the jail has seen a lot of upgrades. The largest upgrade in technology for 2012 was a change in our inmate accounting system, commissary and phone system. We changed from Securas to ICS Solutions/Keefe Commissary Network. This has allowed inmates to draw funds for phone usage directly from their inmate account. It allows them to purchase commissary through the phone system and

have it directly debit their account. Moneys from family and friends can now be deposited electronically or with a kiosk located in the jail lobby. We no longer accept money orders through the US mail. While this has been a difficult learning curve it seems to have become more and more beneficial for our inmate population.

We began to move our supervisors around for training purposes in the summer of 2012 and will continue until all supervisors have had training on all shifts. The hope is to enhance our operations and develop a more consistent operation. We have consistently maintained a good population base and are still housing inmates from the US Marshalls service and Johnson County.



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Work Detail & Diversion



The Jail Diversion Program/Community Service made some changes in 2012. The program became popular enough to expand to 7 days a week including holidays, depending on the holiday. Joining Officer Jeff Long is Officer Michael Collins. The program is designed for people to serve a jail sentence by performing community service type work. Those who owe money on fines can also participate if they choose. Participants do snow removal in the winter season; during the summer and fall seasons mow lawns around the courthouse, jail, county engineer's buildings, and patrol division; trim trees and tree removal if needed. City of West Liberty and Wilton were assisted with trash clean up after major events, cemeteries trimmed, parks cleared of tree debris. The City of Muscatine requested assistance with dredging operations at the harbor, tree removal at the airport, and trash clean up after major events. Muscatine County Conservation requested assistance at Saulsbury Recreation Area with cleaning trash, clearing tree debris and restocking firewood for the season. In between all these projects trash is cleaned up along roads throughout the county.



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Transports

A total of 8983.5 hours were worked by 17 transport officers during 2012. There are currently seven transport vehicles all purchased with Commissary money to transport inmates to and from the Muscatine County Jail. Throughout 2012 approximately 120,000 miles were traveled by these vehicles..



Transport Officers

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|----------------|-------------------|
| Larry Britton | Keith Schreurs |
| George Foster | James Slack |
| Steve Ryder | Charlie Geertz |
| Jon Purvis | Jose Varela |
| Steve Lawrence | Michael Messerich |



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|----------------|-------------------|
| Jeff Benton | MATRONS |
| Steve Cook | Carolyn Geertz |
| Robert Lindley | Carey Miller |
| Charles Miller | Jennifer Albright |

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Sheriff's Patrol



President
Mike Hartman
Vice President
Bill Hilger

Secretary
Robert Taylor
Treasurer
James Ludeman



Members
Scott Miller
Mike Hartman
Brad Utter
Bobby Giese

Members
Krissy Wells
Brian Flake
Gary Ronzheimer
Tammy Giese

Jeff Staley
Jeff Stone
Joe Vogel
Kevin Guck



Fred Mullen
Gary Kopf
Community Service
Officer

Not pictured:
Tammy Giese,
Bobby Giese, Scott
Miller, Gary
Ronzheimer and
Fred Mullen.



The Muscatine County Sheriff's Patrol is a volunteer organization that was formed to provide support to the Sheriff's Office. The members of the Patrol have done that since the inception of the organization more than 40 years ago.

- Services at accident scenes and fire scenes
- Assisting with crime scene management and assessment
- Traffic and crowd control
- Provides two annual scholarships and camp scholarships
- Assistance to the Muscatine school district
- Supports other Community Activities
- Assists other Law Enforcement Agencies
- Local parks are made more secure

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Years of Service



Reserve Gary Ronzheimer
4 years of Service and Good Conduct



Reserve Jeff Staley
8 years of Service and Good Conduct



Reserve Scott Miller
12 years of Service and Good Conduct



Reserve Doug Reist
36 years of Service and Good Conduct



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Sheriff Lowell Snyder

Every year In the United States law enforcement officers die or are killed in the line of duty. In 2012 one hundred twenty nine officers lost their lives while protecting and serving. The profession is both dangerous and rewarding. We take our responsibility seriously and are dedicated to our profession.



October 24, 1948 to October 16, 2012

Lowell retired as Sheriff from the Muscatine County Sheriff's Office in 2001 after 28 years of service. While he was Sheriff, he established the Honor Guard for the department. He worked for the New London, Iowa Police Department from 2005-2007. He had also worked for Riley Ambulance Service as an EMT-A for several years.

Our third annual Year End Report is dedicated to:
Retired Sheriff Lowell Snyder
Who passed away on October 16, 2012

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