



BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT
MONTHLY REPORT
Chief Daniel G. Pancoast

OCTOBER 2016

MANPOWER REPORT:

- A patrol officer remains absent from duty until February 2017 while on active duty assignment with the Pennsylvania National Guard.

TRAINING:

- Cpl. Powell, along with Officers Lindsay, Brehm and Regetto, attended a two-day ***ARIDE (Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement)*** session. The course is taught by area DRE's (Drug Recognition Experts), including Sgt. LaPointe, and is intended to assist officers in the identification of drivers whose abilities are impaired by the use of both lawful and unlawful drugs.
- Canine Officer Tollinger along with his partner, Hugo, successfully completed the four-day annual ***K-9 recertification*** course.
- All officers successfully completed this department's semi-annual handgun qualification course which included instruction in dim light/ lowlight shooting conditions.
- Departmental firearms instructors Lichty and Beck attended a one-day ***Firearms Instructors Workshop***.
- Sgt. Blake attended a one-day course entitled the ***Operation Trojan Horse Training Seminar***. The class addressed the issue of heroin and prescription drug overdose investigations.

ARRESTS & INVESTIGATIONS:

- Sgt. Blake's arrest of Jason Laduca for the administration of a fatal overdose of methamphetamine to Rachel Danucci in November of 2015 has resulted in a guilty plea by Laduca. He was sentenced to serve a term of 4 ½ to 9 years in state

prison for his actions. Dannucci's uncle recently donated \$1,000 to this agency to be used to assist those who have overdosed on illegal drugs.

- A recent rash of clown sightings which were apparently intended to frighten and terrorize both children and adults ended with a teenage City of Bethlehem student being referred to juvenile court.

OTHER INFORMATION:

- Two person's lives were saved when officer responded to a report of a drug overdose/ possible suicide attempt and administered *NARCAN* to both.
- Officer Wilson, assisted by Freedom High School administration and staff, presented a program entitled *COMMUNITY IN CRISIS "Battling The Drug Epidemic"* at the high school.
- Supervisory officers attended a one-day course in defensive tactics and less lethal weapons certification. All officers are required to complete the training with all officers having done so by the end of November.

LETTERS OF PRAISE:

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OCTOBER STATISTICS:

Traffic Accidents:	67	Traffic Citations:	115
Number of Vehicles:	126	Written Warnings:	128
Injuries:	9	Parking Tickets:	17
Deaths:	0		
Misdemeanor/ Felony Arrests:	39		
Summary Arrests:	14		
DUI Arrests:	5		

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