

## **2014 ANNUAL REPORT ALLEGANY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

During the past year, 860 inmates were booked in, a 5.39% decrease from 2013. Of this total, 255 were Federal Detainees and 62 were housed for other counties. A total of 44 inmates were sentenced and transported to state prison. The highest single day population was 147 with an average daily population of 130. The office generated 2.57 million dollars in **revenue** from housing inmates and came in **under budget** for the fourth straight year.

Our excellent Medical Staff, who are able to resolve most medical problems within the confines of our facility, performed 701 history and physicals and 3,445 urgent and non-urgent sick or injury calls.

Our Narcotics Unit, which is comprised of two full time deputy sheriffs, conducts investigations into the sale and trafficking of marijuana, narcotics and other dangerous drugs within the county. In 2014, the Sheriff's Office sponsored a total of five pill-drops throughout Allegany County and on September 27<sup>th</sup> surpassed the one million dollar mark in street value of drugs collected and destroyed since the inception of this worthwhile program.

Inmates in the working inmate program worked a total of 27,416 hours, the equivalent of 13 full time employees. The inmate garden raised over 8,000 pounds of produce which was used to reduce the cost of meals at the jail. The pheasant program, which is run at no expense to the taxpayers, raised and released 1,406 birds. These activities help the inmates learn responsibility and give them a sense of pride gained by a job well done, hopefully reducing the probability of them re-offending and returning to our facility.

Although the primary responsibility of the Sheriff's Office is the operation of the Allegany County Jail, we are also charged with the security at the county office building and court complex, law enforcement activities on both of the lakes located within the county, the civil process and the operation of the county's E-911 dispatch center.

During 2014 Public Safety Dispatchers in the Sheriff's Office E911 Division processed over 85,183 calls for service. This included 28,174 emergency or "911" calls and 57,009 other non-emergency calls for service. This resulted in nearly 46,230 incident reports generated and classified as follows, 78% Police, 15% Medical, 6% Fire and 1% "other".

As directed by statute, this office monitored as many as 125 registered sex offenders in 2014, including 23 level III offenders which are classified as the highest risk to the community and most likely to re-offend.

The Sheriff's Office is also involved in the community. Partnering with the county Office for the Aging and the NY State Police we continue to sponsor the TRIAD program that brings members of our senior citizen groups together monthly to listen to speakers on topics that affect their lives. Several members of the office, including myself and Undersheriff Monroe also participate in the annual Shop with a Cop program for the benefit of underprivileged children. Our officers donated a total of \$975 to this program in 2014 through our "Beard for Bucks" campaign.

The office continued to move forward in 2014 and I am confident that the men and women of the Allegany County Sheriff's Office will again meet the challenges of the upcoming year in a professional and fiscally responsible manner.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sheriff Ricky L. Whitney