

Penn Yan Police Department



2023
Annual Report

Mission Statement:

It is the mission of the Penn Yan Police Department to provide effective law enforcement services for those who reside, work and travel through Penn Yan. The Penn Yan Police Department is committed to working with members of the community to enhance public safety and the quality of life in Penn Yan.

Letter to the Mayor

Dear Mayor Condella and Members of the Board,

On behalf of the men and women of the Penn Yan Police Department it is my pleasure to present to you our 2023 annual report. This report highlights our overall activities for the year and our commitment to keep Penn Yan a great place to live, work and visit. In this report you will see statistics on the amount and type of calls we handle as well as our community engagement.

Our goal of community outreach and professional development has continued into 2023. This has allowed us to build better relationships with the local residents and businesses while continuing to provide professional police services. We do not take for granted this trust and support, and we understand that we have to continue working to maintain it. The annual report is one of the many ways the police department strives to engage with the community and keep them informed of what is going on in Penn Yan. I hope that you will find the information here interesting and enlightening.

The officers of the Penn Yan Police Department take great pride in providing you with the best possible police services. However, none of that is possible without the continued support of both the community and board. Thank you for supporting the police department and we look forward to serving you in 2024.

Chief Thomas Dunham



Officers and Staff 2023



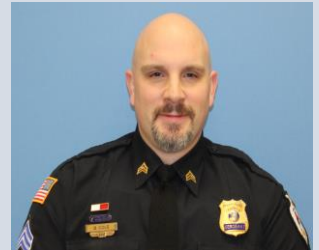
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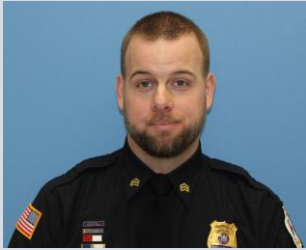
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Sgt. Brandon DeHond



Sgt. Brad Cole



Sgt. Derek Chisom



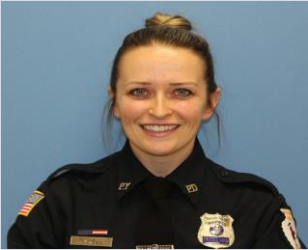
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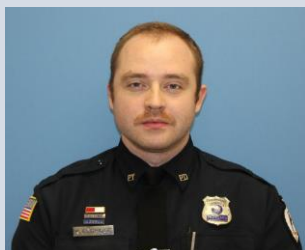
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Ofc. Terry Skelly



Ofc. Corey Grace



Ofc. Kenneth Eldridge



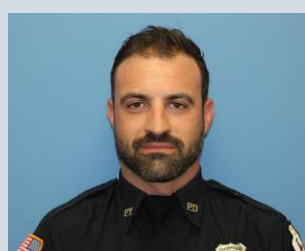
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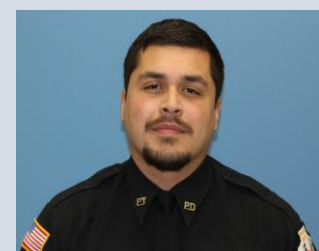
Ofc. Tyler Brzezinski



Ofc. Michael Donovan



Ofc. Nicolaus Fratto



Ofc. Eladio Martinez



Ofc. Wesley Hines



CAC Kristy Pedder

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Road Patrol 2023



The core of the Penn Yan Police Department is its road patrol officers. The department currently has one lieutenant, three sergeants and seven full time road patrol officers. The department also utilizes four part time officers to cover shifts and assist in patrol functions. These officers work 24 hours a day 365 days a year responding to a variety of situations. Officers can be called upon to enforce laws, respond to emergencies, perform vehicle and traffic enforcement, conduct investigations and make arrests. Being a small department, our officers often have the opportunity to work in many different roles and can take on additional duties outside of patrol work.

This year the Penn Yan Police Department responded to **7320** complaints.

Road Patrol 2023

Dark House Checks - We offer “dark house checks” where a community member leaving the area for an extended amount of time can have the police department check on their residence while they are out of town. Officers perform periodic checks on the property and will contact the owners if there are any problems.

Lockouts - Every officer in the police department has been trained in how to unlock vehicles and every police car is equipped with a lockout kit. Offering this service, saves motorists money and is a great chance to have a positive impact on a community members day. Depending on the situation and location, officers have been called to provide lockouts outside the village as we are the only law enforcement agency in this county currently offering the service. While the majority of lockouts are for someone leaving their keys inside their vehicle; officers have also been called to unlock cars for babies or pets locked inside.

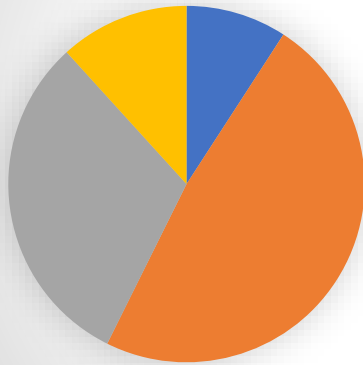
Safety Meetings - The department meets with banks, businesses and other organizations to go over their safety concerns and provide relevant trainings. We also work with the school to assist in lock down drills and events.

Fast Response Time - We maintain an average response time of around one minute. We know when someone contacts the police they expect a fast and professional response.

Vehicle Lockouts	174
Special Details	79
Funeral Escorts	5
Alarms	107
Assist Other Agencies	199
Property Checks/Foot Patrol	516
Open Doors	46
Sex Offender Updates/Verifications	90

Arrest Statistics 2023

Arrests



- Felony = 53
- Misdemeanor = 279
- Violation/Traffic/Other = 179
- Mental Health = 68

Total arrests: **335**

Total arrests of males: **224**

Total arrests of females: **111**

Youthful Offender Arrests (individuals 16 to 17 years old): **8**

Juvenile Arrests (ages 15 and under): **15**

There were a total of 12 arrests involving drugs

<u>Under 10</u>	1	<u>17</u>	7	<u>23</u>	14	<u>45-49</u>	25
<u>10-12</u>	4	<u>18</u>	1	<u>24</u>	7	<u>50-54</u>	20
<u>13</u>	3	<u>19</u>	8	<u>25-29</u>	39	<u>55-59</u>	14
<u>14</u>	1	<u>20</u>	6	<u>30-34</u>	61	<u>60-64</u>	12
<u>15</u>	6	<u>21</u>	4	<u>35-39</u>	54	<u>65+</u>	11
<u>16</u>	1	<u>22</u>	8	<u>40-44</u>	28		

Arrest Statistics 2023

Mental Health Arrests

The Penn Yan Police Department responded to **108** calls involving mental health.

- * **64** were MHY 9.41 arrests (Emergency admissions for immediate observation, care, and treatment by police officers)
- * **4** were MHY 22.09 arrests (Emergency services for persons intoxicated, impaired, or incapacitated by alcohol and/or substances and unable to care for themselves.)

DWI Arrests

There were a total of **13** DWI's in 2023

Total DWI's for males: 8	Total DWI's for females: 5
Total Impaired by Alcohol: 10	Total Impaired by Drugs: 1
Total Impaired by Drugs & Alcohol: 2	Refusals: 1
Average Age: 41	Average BAC: 0.16%

There was **1** motor vehicle accident involving an impaired driver

Warrants & Summons

There were **42** warrants executed in 2023

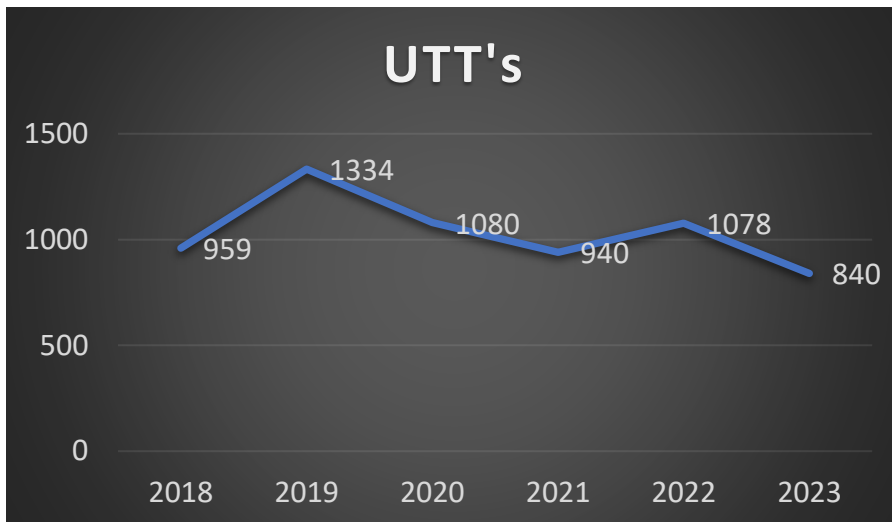
Total arrest warrants: 25	
* Issued out of Superior Court Yates County:	5
* Issued out of other departments:	6
* Issued out of Penn Yan Village Court:	14
Total bench warrants: 17	
* Issued out of Superior Court Yates County:	4
* Issued out of other departments:	2
* Issued out of Penn Yan Village Court:	11

Total amount of Criminal Summons issued in 2023 was: **9**

Vehicle and Traffic Enforcement

Uniform Traffic Tickets (UTT's)

There were a total of **840** UTT's written in 2023
This was a decrease of **238** tickets compared to 2022



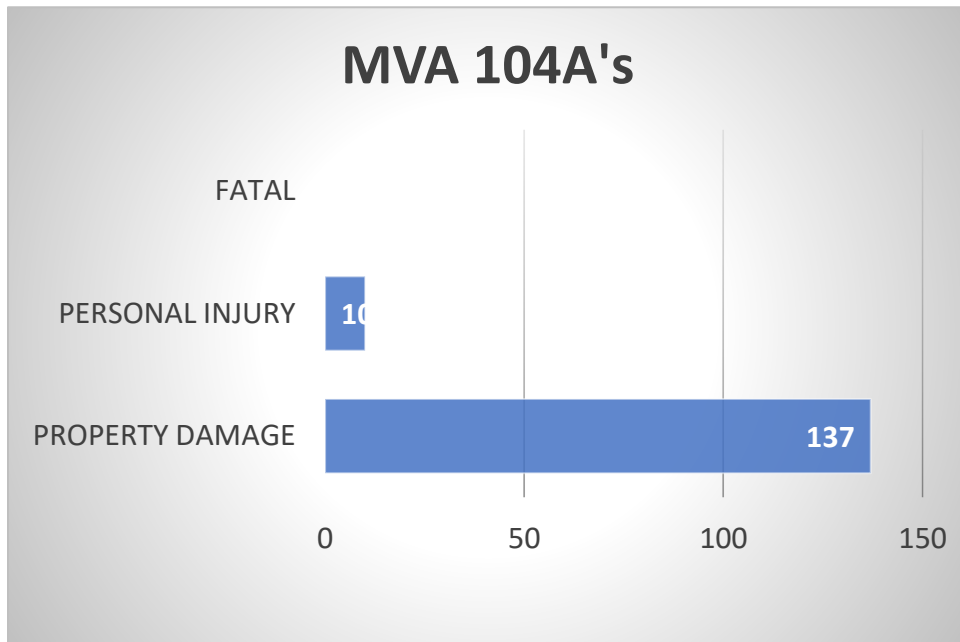
Parking Tickets

There were a total of **248** parking tickets written in 2023
This was a decrease of **87** parking tickets compared to 2022



Motor Vehicle Accidents 2023

Officers responded to 202 motor vehicle accidents in 2023. 147 of these accidents required officers to submit MVA 104A accident reports. These reports involved 137 property damage accidents, 10 personal injury accidents and 0 fatal accidents.



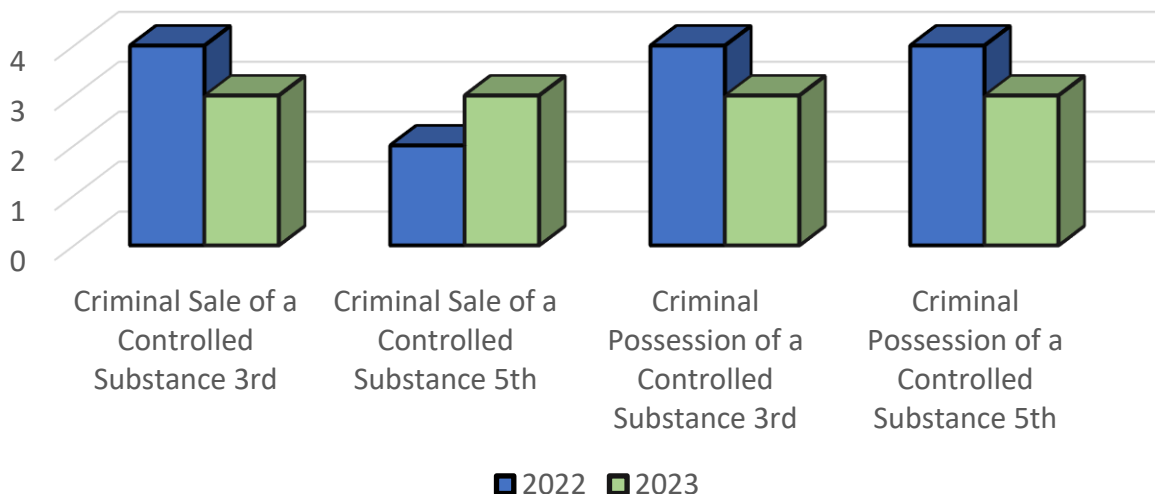
Investigations 2023

Investigator Wayne Marsh is the sole investigator for the Police Department and works on felony level crimes and follow up investigations. Investigator Marsh works closely with the patrol staff to solve crimes and perform drug interdiction. Investigator Marsh also works in collaboration with other area police agencies to share information and collaborate when appropriate. Investigator Marsh also oversees the department's evidence room. This includes ensuring evidence is properly packaged and stored and when and how it can be released.



The total number of Drug Investigations/Tip411/Found Needles for 2023 was:
105

Drug Sales



Investigations 2023

The Penn Yan Police Department investigated 8 reported overdose incidents in 2023

March 29, 2023	Officers responded to a report of a 37 year old male who was overdosing on possible heroin and cocaine. Sergeant Chisom and Officer Eldridge performed sternum rubs and administered four (4) doses of Narcan, along with EMS who administered a fifth (5) dose.
April 2, 2023	Officers responded to a report of a 37 year old male who was overdosing on possible heroin and cocaine. Sergeant Chisom and Officer Grace performed sternum rubs and administered four (4) doses of Narcan.
May 11, 2023	Officers responded to a report of a 69 year old who consumed a quantity of Xanax. Male was transported by ambulance to the hospital.
June 13, 2023	Officers responded to a report of a 41 year old male overdosing on possible heroin with CPR in progress. Investigator Marsh administered two (2) doses of Narcan and the male was transported by ambulance to the hospital.
October 22, 2023	Anonymous report of a 39 year old male overdosing on heroin. Complaint was unfounded.
October 22, 2023	Another anonymous report of an overdose. Complaint was unfounded.
November 4, 2023	Officers responded to a report of a 24 year old male overdosing on alcohol. Male was transported by ambulance to the hospital.
December 29, 2023	Officers responded to a report of a 65 year old female who was overdosing on fentanyl. Narcan was administered by a citizen and the female was transported by ambulance to the hospital.

COMPLEXES AND HOTELS

Housing Complexes

Mentally Ill Persons	12
Alarms	5
Domestics/Fights	24
Harassment	21
Assist Ambulance	5
Arrests	17
Juvenile Complaints	12
Deaths	0
Check the Welfare	17
Dog Complaints	1
Larceny	6
Vehicle & Traffic	8
Misc. Non-Criminal	141
Misc. Criminal	4
Criminal Mischief	1
Total	275

Hotels

Mentally Ill Persons	0
Alarms	4
Domestics/Fights	5
Harassment	1
Assist Ambulance	0
Arrests	1
Juvenile Complaints	1
Deaths	0
Check the Welfare	1
Dog Complaints	0
Larceny	0
Vehicle & Traffic	3
Misc. Non-Criminal	65
Misc. Criminal	4
Criminal Mischief	0
Total	85

Special Events 2023



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Grants, Seizures & Donations

We would like to thank Nick Fratto, his family and the entire staff at Fratto Curbing for making a \$10,000 donation to the police department.



The police department received a Bureau of Justice Grant to offset 50% of the costs of replacement bullet proof vests. The new soft body armor, made of Kevlar, was developed in the 1970's to replace the older, heavier bulletproof vests. The new models are categorized into five classes according to the amount of protection they afford. Threat levels I, II-A, and II apply to typical police officers and must be replaced every five years.



The police department worked with the Yates County District Attorney's Office to utilize \$13,200 in seizure funds to purchase an OSCR 360 Evidence Collection System. The money used to make this purchase was seized from local drug dealers.

**Note this is only a portion of what was received*

School Resource Officer



Officer Terry Skelly was appointed School Resource Officer in September of 2023 after Officer Jeff Stewart retired. Officer Skelly started her career in law enforcement at the Seneca County Sheriff's Office in 2016 before transferring to the Penn Yan Police Department in 2018. Officer Skelly has been a tremendous asset to the department and a great fit at the Penn Yan Central School District.

Total Contacts at the School in 2023 - 1,056
Total Departmental Juvenile/Adolescent Complaints - 144



Confidential Assistant



Kristy Pedder serves as the Confidential Assistant to the Chief of Police and as the department’s dispatcher from 8am-4pm. Kristy also serves as the department’s records custodian and FOIL officer. Kristy answers phone calls to the police department and dispatched officers when appropriate. Kristy also has the capability to run driver’s licenses and registrations when requested.

Probation Departments	85	Village of Penn Yan	13
Citizens/Public	62	Office of Victim Services	1
Department of Social Services	38	Miscellaneous	17
MVA Reports & Insurance Companies	85	United States Military	6
Total requests from District Attorney’s Office, Law Offices or Courts	6	Department of Criminal Justice Services/FBI	1
Law Enforcement Agencies	40	TOTAL FOIL REQUESTS	354

Confidential Assistant

Throughout the year the Penn Yan Police Department collects money for FOIL requests and copies for MVA reports that are requested by insurance companies. This money is turned over to the Penn Yan Village Clerk each month. The department charges \$0.25 per page for copies. These requests can be quite time intensive and this is a way we cover some of the costs. (Accident reports are provided to those involved free of charge, unless getting the report from Carfax.)

Total money collected for FOIL reports/MVA's: **\$137.75**

The Police Department utilizes Carfax For Police to allow individuals and their insurance companies to go online to get a copy of their motor vehicle accident report. The money that is collected by Carfax is then sent to the police department. This program also gives the Police Department access to Carfax records.

The total amount received in 2023 is: **\$33.00**

Through out the year money is collected from parking tickets. Each week this money is turned over to the Penn Yan Village Court. Parking Tickets range from \$10.00 to \$80.00. After seven (7) days the fine doubles and after thirty (30) days the fine triples.

The total number of tickets paid in 2023 is: **177**
The total amount received in 2023 is: **\$2280.00**

The Penn Yan Police Department receives restitution checks from the Yates County Probation Department. This includes things like drug buys or police department property that was damaged.

The total amount of restitution received for 2023 is: **\$1059.29**

Vehicles that are impounded or seized by the Penn Yan Police Department are secured at the Cherry Street impound lot. Owners of these vehicles must pay the impound fee prior to police releasing the vehicle. There is an initial impound fee of \$70.00 and an additional fee of \$10.00 a day after one week of storage.

The total amount of vehicles impounds paid in 2023 is: **23**
The total amount received in 2023 is: **\$1610.00**
The total amount collected from scrapped impounded vehicles in 2023 is: **\$1800.00**

Professional Development

A top priority of the police department has been continued training and professional development. Having well trained officers allows staff to more effectively serve the public while keeping themselves safe. This year officers attended a variety of trainings including:

Defensive Tactics
Taser
Sexual Harassment
Bloodborne Pathogens
Instructor Development
Active Shooter
Naloxone Training
Distracted Driving
Course Director Orientation
Juvenile Law & Procedures

Radar/Lidar Instructor
FTO Training
Basic Criminal Investigations
Records Management
Redacting Records
National Incident Based Reporting
Domestic Incident Reporting
Firearms
Non-Lethal Weapons
DWI Refresher



Promotions 2023



Justin Hamm started his law enforcement career at the Penn Yan Police Department in 2008 as a police officer. In 2011 he was promoted to sergeant and in 2017 he became the senior sergeant at the department. He serves as the department's firearm instructor and training officer. In 2023 Justin was promoted to lieutenant. Since being promoted Justin has taken on additional duties in the office including handling the vehicle maintenance accounts and assists in quartermaster duties. Congratulations to Lieutenant Hamm on his promotion. We are excited to have him in this new role and wish him the best.

Officer of the Year 2023



Every year members of the police department select one officer to receive the Penn Yan Police Department's Officer of the Year Award. Each member of the department votes on who they feel has exceeded the duty requirements of his or her position and has demonstrated a distinct pattern of community service coupled with professional achievement. Officers may also consider specific acts of heroism or incidents where an officer went above and beyond the call of duty. This year, I am proud to announce Officer Tyler Brzezinski was selected by his fellow officers as the 2023 Officer of the Year.

Tyler attended Haverling High School in Bath, NY where he graduated in 2017. Tyler went on to attend Corning Community College and Saint Bonaventure University. In 2021 Tyler attended the Police Academy at Alfred State. Tyler was hired by the Penn Yan Police Department in 2021. Since joining the department Tyler has shown a eagerness to learn.

Chief Thomas Dunham

Retirements 2023

Officer Jeff Stewart retired after 20 years with the police department. Officer Stewart started his career in the Yates County Sheriffs Office as a corrections officer in 1996. In 2000 Jeff became a Deputy Sheriff and in 2003 he became a member of the Penn Yan Police Department. He served as an officer and was promoted to sergeant in 2008 before taking on the school resource officer position in 2017.



Officer Brian Winslow started his law enforcement career as a corrections officer and dispatcher with the Yates County Sheriff's Office in 1991. In 1993 Brian joined the Penn Yan Police Department as a dispatcher. In 1994 he became a part time police officer with Penn Yan PD. In 1999 Brian joined the Yates County Sheriff's Office as a full time deputy sheriff. In 2018 Brian came back to Penn Yan as a part time officer before retiring in 2023. Brian is a long time member of the Penn Yan Fire Department and serves as the current Yates County Emergency Manager.

In Memory Of

Officer James “Jamie” Maciejewski passed away on March, 9th 2023 at the age of 52 after a battle with Creutzfeldt Jakob Disease. Jamie was hired as a patrolman for the Penn Yan Police Department on January 9th, 1997. In 2017, he retired from the department as a sergeant. Jamie was a member of the Penn Yan Fire Department, the Penn Yan Moose Lodge, the Seneca Lake Duck Hunters Club, as well as a lifetime member of the Penn Yan Elks Lodge. Jamie loved to travel with his wife Heidi. They traveled the world during their marriage. They loved camping, riding the Harley and trips with friends. Jamie was well liked by all who knew him and will be missed.



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