



## February 2015 Statistical Information

*Joey Reynolds*  
Police Chief



Accredited in 2009

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**The charts that follow list the offenses that were reported during the indicated time frame.  
The totals may reflect reclassifications based upon further investigation into those offenses.**



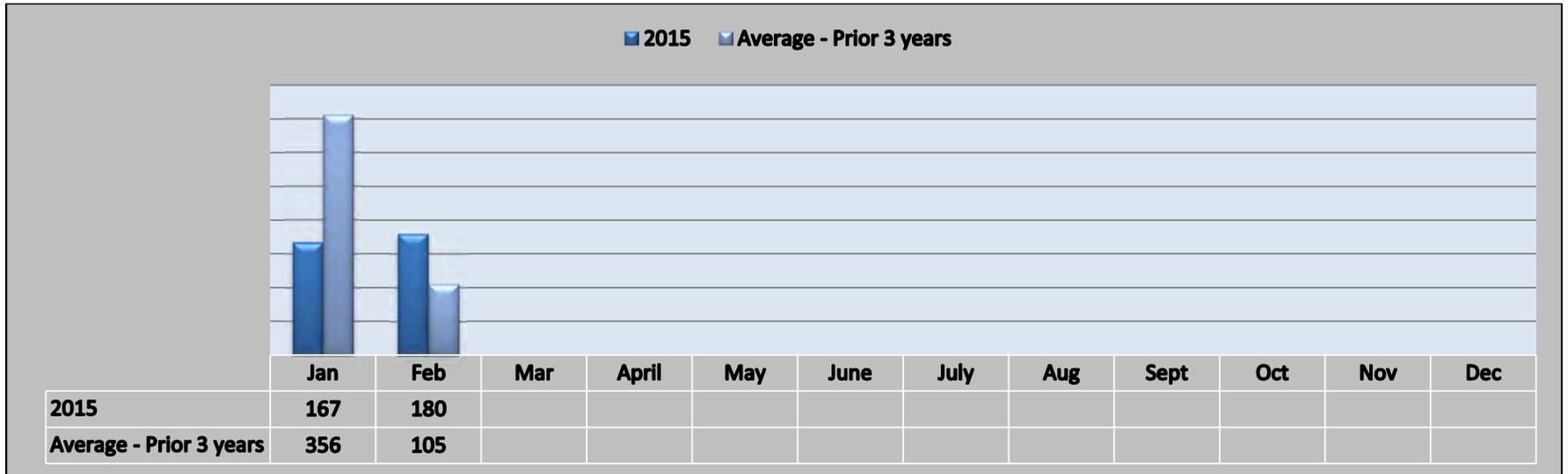






# 2015 Alarm Trend - Year to Date

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## Crime Totals Year to Date

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<u>Part I Offenses</u>	<u>2015*</u>	<u>Prior 3 year average**</u>	<u>Percent change from average</u>	
Homicide	0	0.000	0%	no change
Forcible Rape	0	1.000	100%	decrease
Robbery	0	1.000	100%	decrease
Aggravated Assault	1	4.000	1,200%	decrease
Burglary (breaking or entering)	4	13.333	70%	decrease
Larceny – Theft (except motor vehicle theft)	44	68.333	36%	decrease
Motor Vehicle Theft	1	2.333	57%	decrease
Arson	0	0.666	100%	decrease
<b>Part II Offenses</b>				
Other Assaults (simple)	27	29.333	8%	decrease
Forgery & Counterfeit	1	3.666	73%	decrease
Fraud	3	1.000	200%	increase
Embezzlement	1	1.000	0%	no change
Stolen Property: Buying, Receiving, Possessing	1	0.666	50%	increase
Vandalism	19	21.000	10%	decrease
Weapons: Carrying, Possessing, Etc.	8	1.000	700%	increase
Prostitution & Commercialized Vice	0	0.000	0%	no change
Sex Offenses	1	0.666	50%	increase
Drug Abuse Violations	35	21.000	67%	increase
Gambling	0	0.000	0%	no change
Offenses Against the Family & Children	6	14.000	57%	decrease
Driving Under the Influence	11	5.000	120%	increase
Liquor Laws	4	7.000	43%	decrease
Drunkenness	4	3.000	33%	increase
Disorderly Conduct	5	3.000	67%	increase
Vagrancy	0	0.000	0%	no change
All Other Offenses	7	6.000	17%	increase
Curfew & Loitering Laws (persons under 18)	0	0.000	0%	no change
Runaways (persons under 18)	2	2.666	25%	decrease

\*As of 02/28/2015

\*\*The “Prior 3 year average” is the Crime Totals average of (1) January 1<sup>st</sup> thru February 28, 2014 (2) January 1, 2013 thru February 28, 2013 (3) January 1, 2012 thru February 29, 2012

# Department Highlights

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## Arrests

**February 1<sup>st</sup>** – Joseph Brown was arrested for Cocaine Possession

**February 1<sup>st</sup>** – George Blount was arrested for Cocaine Possession

**February 6<sup>th</sup>** – Cavetta Beaton was arrested for Forgery/Breach of Trust

**February 8<sup>th</sup>** – Antelmo Gonzales-Ramos was arrested for DUI 2<sup>nd</sup>

**February 17<sup>th</sup>** – William Bentley was arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance

**February 17<sup>th</sup>** – Corey Avery was arrested for Resisting Arrest and Possession of a Controlled Substance

**February 17<sup>th</sup>** – Lillian Jackson was arrested for Neglect of a Child

**February 20<sup>th</sup>** – Samuel Frazier was arrested for Unlawful Carry of a Pistol

**February 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Jamal Styles was arrested for Unlawful Carry of a Pistol

**February 26<sup>th</sup>** – Quinton Newell was arrested for PDC, Possession of a Controlled Substance and Possession of Marijuana

## Juvenile Arrests

**February 24<sup>th</sup>** – One (1) Juvenile arrested for Possession of Marijuana

## Complaints

No Complaints for the month of January

## Commendations

**February** – Thank you letter sent by Mr. Phillip Cosneau

**February 5<sup>th</sup>** – Thank You Email sent by Mr. Gray Toulmin

**February 18<sup>th</sup>** – Appreciation Email was sent from Mr. Don Byers

## Explorer Program

**February 11<sup>th</sup>** – Juvenile Law and Procedure – 12 Students

**February 16<sup>th</sup>** – Street Drugs – 12 Students

**February 18<sup>th</sup>** – Motor Vehicle Law – 12 Students

**February 25<sup>th</sup>** – Street Survival – 12 Students

## Meetings Attended by Chief Reynolds

**Every Monday** – Attended Command Staff Meetings

**Every Wednesday** – Attended Senior Staff Communication Meetings

**Every Friday** – Attends Meeting with BPD Chaplain

**February 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup>** – Attended FBINAA Partner Fair in Quantico, Va.

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## Department Highlights (continued)

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- February 9<sup>th</sup>** – Meeting with Citizen
- February 11<sup>th</sup>** – Attended Monthly Police Update Meeting
- February 11<sup>th</sup>** – Meeting with Sheriff Tanner
- February 11<sup>th</sup>** – Attended Monthly Sergeants Meeting
- February 12<sup>th</sup>** – Attended Special Events Meeting
- February 12<sup>th</sup>** – Attended Meeting with LCRLEOA
- February 13<sup>th</sup>** – Attended Meeting with Town Manager
- February 17<sup>th</sup>** – Attended Meeting with PI Fire Chief and Provost Marshall
- February 17<sup>th</sup>** – Meeting with Citizen
- February 19<sup>th</sup>** – Attended Chiefs Association Meeting
- February 19<sup>th</sup>** – Attended Executive Steering Committee Meeting
- February 19<sup>th</sup>** – Attended Meeting with PSSC
- February 23<sup>rd</sup> thru 25<sup>th</sup>** – Attended Strategic Planning Sessions
- February 26<sup>th</sup>** – Attended La Isla Magazine Community Forum with BPD Chaplain

### Citizens Police Academy

NO CPA for February 2015

### Training – In House

- February 1<sup>st</sup>** – NCIC Training – 1 Officer
- February** – Firearms Training – 4 days – 7 Officers
- February 5<sup>th</sup>** – MUNIS Training – 10 Officers/Civilians
- February 9<sup>th</sup>** – SFST – 2 Officer
- February 20<sup>th</sup>** – AR-15 Weapons Cleaning – 7 Officers

### Training – Outside

- February 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Advanced Sexual Assault – 2 Officers
- February 6<sup>th</sup>** – FOIA Law & Issues – 4 Civilians
- February 9<sup>th</sup>** – Marijuana Analysis Certification – 2 Civilians
- February 16<sup>th</sup>** – Property & Evidence Room Management – 1 Civilian
- February 16<sup>th</sup>** – Documenting Force -1 Officer

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## Department Highlights (continued)

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**February 19<sup>th</sup>** - VRC EM Training – 1 Officer

**February 23<sup>rd</sup>** – NAMI Training – 4 Officers

**February 23<sup>rd</sup>** – FEMA Documenting Training – 2 Officers

### Special Events

**February 5<sup>th</sup>** - Winter Farmers Market

**February 6<sup>th</sup>** - Friday Station 300

**February 6<sup>th</sup>** - Basket Ball Game at Bluffton Middle School

**February 7<sup>th</sup>** - Saturday Station 300

**February 8<sup>th</sup>** - Lowcountry Community Church

**February 10<sup>th</sup>** - Basketball game at Bluffton Middle School

**February 12<sup>th</sup>** - Winter Farmers Market

**February 13<sup>th</sup>** - Winter Art Walk

**February 13<sup>th</sup>** - Friday Station 300

**February 14<sup>th</sup>** - Cooley Fundraiser at Oyster Factory Park

**February 14<sup>th</sup>** - Saturday Station 300

**February 15<sup>th</sup>** - Lowcountry Community Church 8 am

**February 18<sup>th</sup>** - Basket Ball Game at Bluffton Middle School

**February 19<sup>th</sup>** - Winter Farmers Market

**February 20<sup>th</sup>** - Friday Station 300

**February 21<sup>st</sup>** - Saturday Station 300

**February 22<sup>nd</sup>** - Lowcountry Community Church

**February 26<sup>th</sup>** - Winter Farmers Market

**February 27<sup>th</sup>** - Friday Station 300

**February 28<sup>th</sup>** - Saturday Station 300

**Customer Contacts: 237**

**Event Holder Contacts: 54**

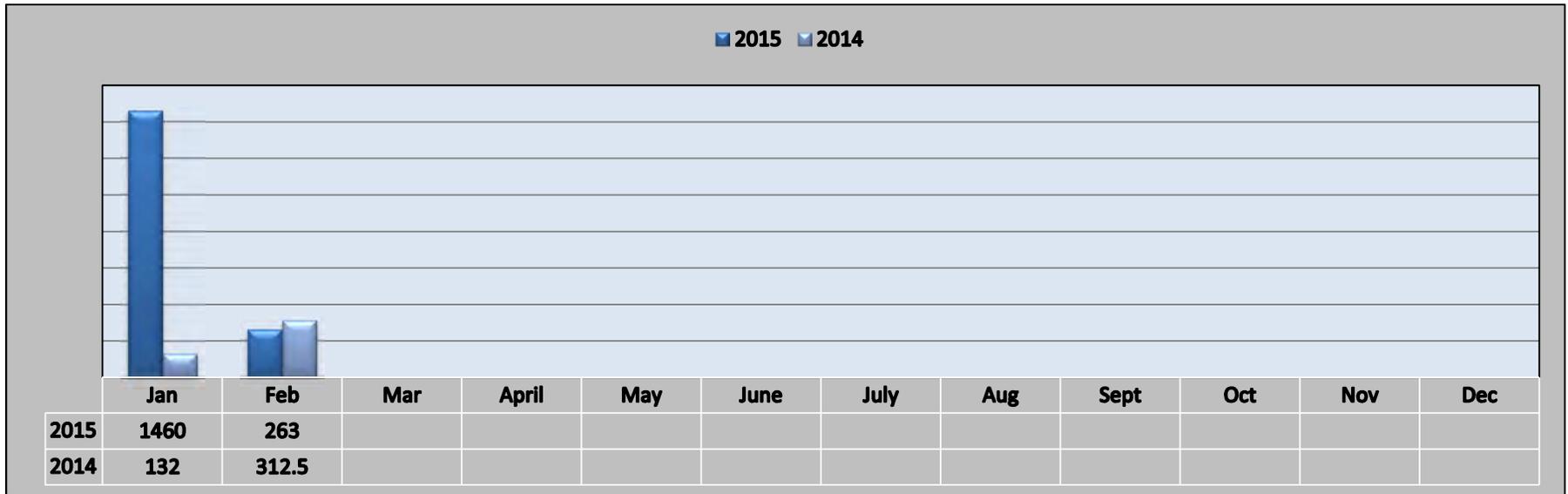
**Special Event Applications Submitted: 7**

**RCC Showings: 31**

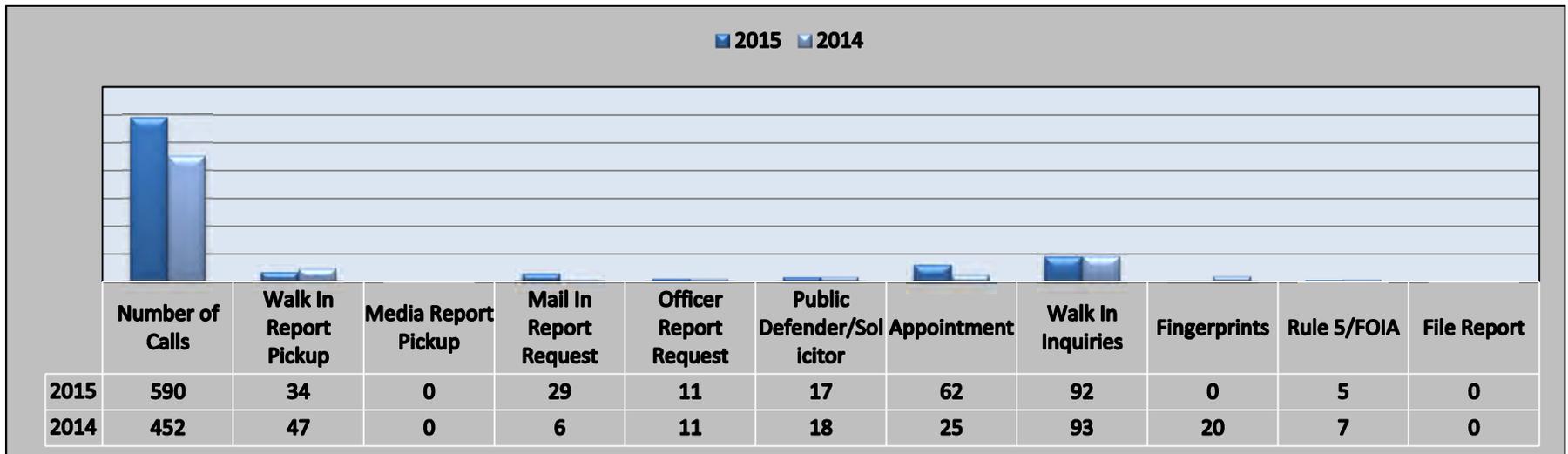
**RCC Rental Applications: 15**

**Coordinated Events: 6**

# Total Officer/Employee Training Hours Comparison by Month – Year to Date through February 2015



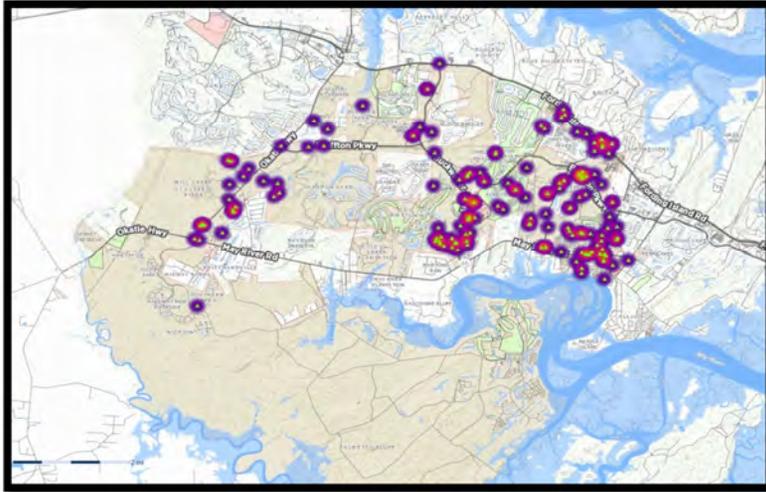
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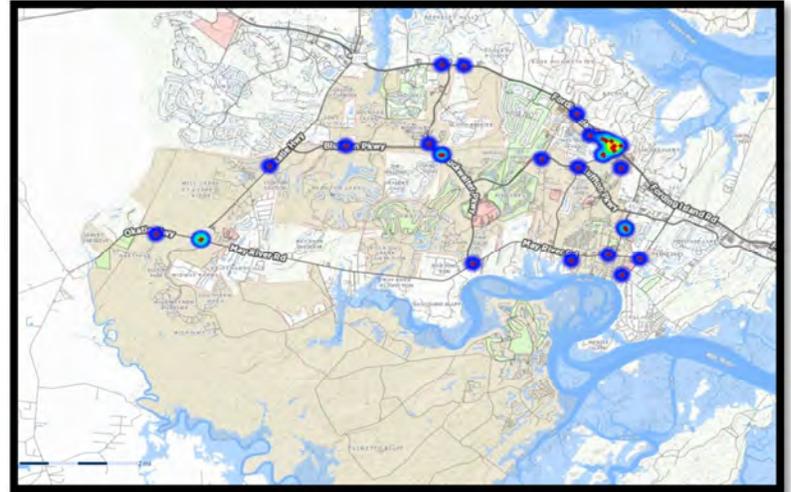
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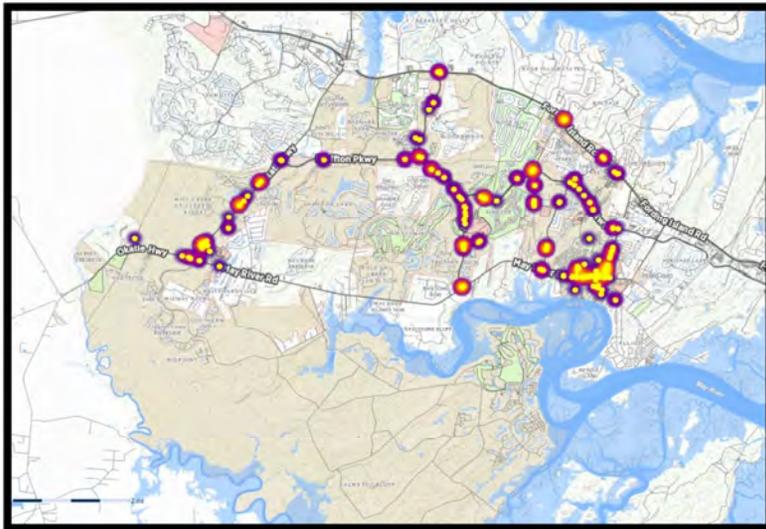
Incidents



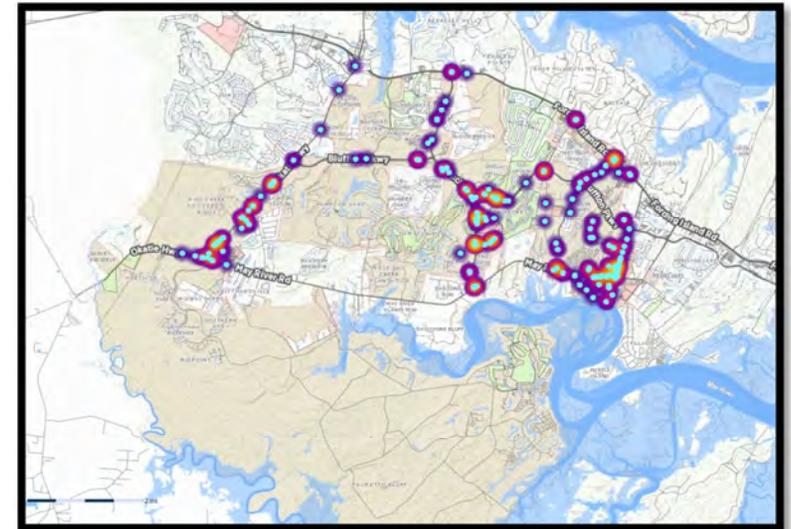
Collisions



Warnings



Uniform Traffic Tickets



This is a disclaimer that the above situations were only some of the incidents reported to the Bluffton Police Department during the previous month.



## BLUFFTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

TO: Lt. Chandler

FROM: Sgt. Carmany

RE: Monthly Community Issue Report – February 1st – February 28th, 2015

DATE: March 2nd, 2015

### **CONCERNS VOICED BY THE COMMUNITY: (CALEA 45.2.2a)**

#### Speed Survey Hampton Hall (February 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

NSU received numerous complaints from Hampton Hall Security and HOA, reference speeding over the last few months. Speed trailer had been deployed on multiple occasions, however we continued to receive complaints. NSU utilized an unmarked pick-up truck, tracking vehicle speeds, collecting data. The posted speed limit is 30 mph and through data it was found the average vehicle speed was 29.93 mph. Less than 2% of the total vehicles were found to be traveling a speed greater than 10 mph over the posted speed limit. All data has been provided to Hampton Hall.

#### Speed Trailer Hampton Lakes (February 3rd, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

Speed trailer deployed in Hampton Lakes, per request by Hampton Lakes Security, after receiving speeding complaints.

#### Baynard Park Neighbor Dispute (February 4th, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

NSU meet with two neighbors who have had a neighbor dispute with each other over the past few months. Since meeting and speaking with them, no further complaints have been received.

#### May River Fuel Spill (February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

NSU members were on pro-active foot patrols of the area, observing a fuel spill coming from Wharf St. landing. DHEC was contacted and the source was found to be coming from a boat that had sank the night prior, next to the Oyster Factory.



Highway Safety Grant (February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

Completed Traffic grant and submitted for review. Traffic Grant will supply \$240,000.00 in funds for two additional officers for a Traffic Enforcement Team.

634 Cooper Lane N (The Farm) (February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

Received complaint reference squatters living in foreclosed residence. NSU made sure residence was secured and extra patrolled the area. No squatters located.

Red Cedar Elementary Tour (February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

Held three tours of the Bluffton Police Department to 60 Kindergarten students from Red Cedar Elementary.

Red Cedar Elementary Tour (February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

Held two tours of the Bluffton Police Department to 40 Kindergarten students from Red Cedar Elementary.

Lynda's on Calhoun St. (February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

Spoke with owners of new business, providing information about safety, involving businesses. Conducted an on-site security survey, providing them with recommendations.

Bluffton Elementary School (February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

Visited Mrs. Singletary's 4<sup>th</sup> grade class as part of the Mentor Program.

Safe Place Initiative "Craigslist" (February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

NSU members spoke with WSAV about the Bluffton Police Dept. being a safe place to meet with individuals selling or buying items from social media sites, including Craigslist.

843 Crossfit Noise Complaint (February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

Conducted follow-up reference previous month's complaint about early morning noise from 843 Crossfit. Spoke with Owner, Martin and he thanked officers for looking into the violations and encouraged us to let him know of other issues in the future.



Town Council Meeting (February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

NSU attended the monthly council meeting, providing security for the citizens and employees of Bluffton.

Speed Trailer Heritage at New Riverside (February 11th, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

Speed trailer deployed in Heritage at New Riverside, per request by HOA.

Read Across America (February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

Met with Kelly at the Bluffton Library, discussing a Summer Reading Program and requested officers speak to the kids about what Police Officers do in the Community. Two dates set for June.

Bluffton Explorer Class (February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

NSU meet with Bluffton Explorers, teaching a class reference to the drug abuse.

Boy Scouts Tour (February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

Held a tour of the Bluffton Police Dept. for the Boys Scouts of America.

843 TV Interview (February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

Interview with local news network about the Bluffton Police Dept. Citizens Police Academy.

Underage Alcohol Detail (February 21st, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

NSU conducted checks of all the local alcohol establishments in Bluffton, checking for underage patrons consuming alcohol.

FEMA Emergency Management Training (February 23rd, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

NSU assisted Emergency Management attending Orangeburg County EOC. Items discussed were lessons learned from February 2014 EOC Activation from an Ice Storm. Also learned tips on completing FEMA paperwork for disaster reimbursement.



Speed Trailer Bluffton Parkway / Pine Crest (February 24th, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

Speed trailer deployed on Bluffton Parkway in 35mph, educating the citizen of Bluffton the speed limit change from 45mph to 35 mph.

Girl Scouts Tour (February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

Held a tour of the Bluffton Police Dept. for the Girl Scouts.

New Riverside Dr. Pathway (February 25th, 2015)

(CALEA 45.1.3)

Received complaint about construction workers driving their vehicles on pathway across wooden bridges. NSU met with area contractors, advising them of the complaints. No further issues reported.

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**POTENTIAL PROBLEMS THAT HAVE A BEARING ON LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES: (CALEA 45.2.2b)**

- 1 – Speeding in Hampton Hall
- 2 – Speeding in Heritage at New Riverside

**RECOMMENDED ACTIONS ON IDENTIFIED CONCERNS AND PROBLEMS: (CALEA 45.2.2c)**

- 1 – Speed Survey completed, provided results to HOA / Security
- 2 – Speed Trailer was deployed, along with some pro-active patrols of the community.

**PROGRESS ON PRIOR IDENTIFIED CONCERNS AND PROBLEMS (CALEA 45.2.2d) -**

On-going Special detail for area night clubs, reference underage drinking. The principle goal of the selected intervention was to reduce crime, nuisance, and increase safety via coordinated efforts to monitor nightclubs.

On-going Special Details for Traffic Control / Enforcement details through-out Bluffton, reference speeding complaints received from Plantations.

**NSU ADMINISTRATIVE**

Updated Gang Files on weekly basis.  
Court Docket 0900hrs & 1400hrs. (Every Tuesday)  
C.A.R.E referrals / phone calls made.



Monthly Inspections Completed  
PoliceOne Hazmat Training Completed  
All Hands Meeting  
Meth Lab Response quarterly training with BCSO

**Reports of Interest:**

***15BP2560 / Underage Possession / Consumption of Alcohol***

Officers conducted a pro-active approach, checking all the Old Town area bars for underage subjects. A total of 44 subjects were checked with no violations found.

***15BP4134 / Fuel Spill in May River***

NSU members were on pro-active foot patrols of the area, observing a fuel spill coming from Wharf St. landing. DHEC was contacted and the source was found to be coming from a boat that had sank the night prior, next to the Oyster Factory.

***15BP4354 / Trespassing***

Officers responded to 1271 May River Rd. (Sunoco), reference Booby Mitchel loitering in the parking lot for multiple hours panhandling. The owner wanted Mitchell trespassed from the property. Trespass notice was issued and Mitchell was escorted off the property.

***15BP5134 / SPOM & Drug Paraphernalia***

NSU conducted a lawful traffic stop on a Stephen Chisholm for speeding. Upon making contact with Chisholm, officers detected a strong odor of marijuana. Chisholm was found to be in possession of 2.5 grams of marijuana and a glass smoking pipe.

***15BP57664 / Stolen Property***

Rosena Blackshear reported that she drove Kenny Johnson to Big Jim's liquor store. When she dropped him off at his residence, she noticed her cell phone was missing. Follow-up was conducted, however Kenny Johnson refused to cooperate and officers were not able to prove beyond a reasonable doubt that Johnson had taken the cell phone.

***15BP6644 / SPOM, Drug Paraphernalia & Open Container in MMV***

NSU conducted a lawful traffic stop on a Gregory Rardon for improper display of his vehicle registration. Rardon was found to be in possession of marijuana, grinder and open container of Vodka.

***15BP6782 / Criminal Domestic Violence, Public Disorderly Conduct and SPOM***

NSU responded to Parkers on Jennifer Ct., reference a possible stolen vehicle in progress. Upon arrival they found Tyrone Aiken being disorderly in the parking lot. Through investigation it was



found that Aiken had attacked his girlfriend, ripping her shirt off. Search incident to arrest, Aiken was found to be in possession of marijuana.



## BLUFFTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

TO: Sgt. James Carmany

FROM: P.O. John P. Di Falco

RE: **February 2015 Monthly Community Code Enforcement Report**

DATE: 03/02/2015

### Complaints Received:

#### D.R. Horton Tree Permit Required (February 2nd, 2015)

Received a complaint reference D.R. Horton (Heritage at New Riverside) had "clear-cut" a residential lot, prior to obtaining any permits. Though investigation, officers we unable to determine if any violation had occurred and what trees had been removed. D.R. Horton was educated on obtaining permits prior to removing any trees in the future. Case#15BP3849

#### D.R. Horton Sign Violation (February 2nd, 2015)

Received a complaint reference D.R. Horton (Heritage at New Riverside) had not yet installed any street signs as required. Officers spoke with a D.R. Horton representative who advised they would get the necessary street signs installed within the next couple of days. Follow-up was conducted, finding them in compliance. Case#15BP3849

#### Timeless Interiors Sign Violation (February 4th, 2015)

Received a complaint reference Timeless Interiors still having temporary 4x4 posts near the roadway, where they had a temporary banner installed. Business representative was advised, who stated they would remove the posts by the end of the day. Follow-up was completed a few days later, finding the business in compliance. Case#15BP4124

#### Ward Edwards Animal Violation (February 5th, 2015)

Received a complaint from Ward Edwards, reference a neighbor allowing their dog to defecate on Ward Edwards property without being cleaned-up. Contact was made with neighbor and educated on property clean-up requirement from their animals. No further complaints received. Case#15BP4236

#### Bluffton Park Construction Violation (February 6th, 2015)

Received a complaint from Town Hall, reference contractors using improper access points to the construction site. Contact was made obtaining compliance.

300 Buck Island Rd. Permit Violation (February 16th, 2015)

Received a complaint from Town Hall, reference the property having Oak trees removed without a permit. Through investigation it was also found they were using fill dirt to alter the landscape, not approved by the town. This area is also considered to be wetlands. A Stop Work Order was issued.

Londono Trucking Business License Violation (February 16th, 2015)

Officer observed owner working on the property of 331 Buck Island Rd. It was found that he has been in business for the last 7 years and has never had a Bluffton Business License. Owner was issued a citation and has since complied, obtaining his Bluffton Business License.

Case#15BP5502

Promenade / Dr. Mellincamp Parking Violation (February 16th, 2015)

Received a complaint from Town Hall, reference illegal parking spaces installed during construction of new building. Parking spaces were taped off, preventing any future parking.

Ulysees Toomer Business License Violation (February 25th, 2015)

Officer observed owner working on a residential property in Stock Farm. It was found that he did not have a Bluffton Business License. Owner was issued a citation and has since complied, obtaining his Bluffton Business License. Case#15BP6611

Jones Brothers Tree Service Illegal Dumping Violation (February 25th, 2015)

Received a complaint from Town Hall, reference wood chips being dumped on Green St. Business was contacted who advised they were told by the homeowner they could place the wood chips there. Business complied by returning to the area, removing wood chips from roadway.

**Follow ups:**

9 Wharf St. Fowl Application (February 3rd, 2015)

Memorandum prepared and submitted to Town Council.

**Meetings:**

1. Town Building Inspector regarding Neighborhood Assistance Program
2. Citizen request complaints.
3. Hampton Hall, reference business license for contractors.
4. Palmetto Bluff, reference business license for contractors.
5. Dawn Goodwin, reference delinquent business licenses.

**Projects:**

1. Live Stock Ordinance
2. Live Stock Application
3. 2013 Delinquent Business License Holders
4. Pursuit Policy Committee

## COMMENDATION LETTER

Hello Chief Reynolds

I want to thank you for the experience you gave me to meet your family of The Bluffton Police Department.

After the chance of being in your first year Police Academy, I finally had my own along last Saturday night with Officer Jake Higgins, what an experience.

The word of the evening was... Family.

As soon as we had the first car pulled over for speed, another Police car stopped behind us, for the second one, it was a Sheriff car (nothing that would never happen in France), but - as a big Family, each member stopped to support the other.

With Officer Higgins, I saw how much the education is more important than the enforcement. He is one of the heroes of our little son Paul, and when I had to tell him this morning, he'll admire Jake and his partners even more.

Thanks for the Family you built here, I last night with Officer Higgins, Officer Brown, Officer Brunson, Sergeant DeStasio, and two other members of your team (of whom I feel honored to have forgotten the names) as another amazing moment.

Funk, Trinity

From: Reynolds, Joey  
Sent: Wednesday, February 18, 2015 10:42 AM  
To: Funk, Trinity  
Subject: Fwd: Transactions

Joey Reynolds  
Police Chief  
Bluffton Police Department  
Bluffton, SC

Begin forwarded message:

From: Don Byers  
Date: February 18, 2015 at 10:34:37 AM EST  
To: <[dchandler@townofbluffton.com](mailto:dchandler@townofbluffton.com)>  
Cc: <[jreynolds@townofbluffton.com](mailto:jreynolds@townofbluffton.com)>  
Subject: Transactions

Meant to write last week and say how much I appreciated your willingness to allow people to make transactions on police property. Great idea! My wife has never been excited about me having someone come to our house for something I advertised on Craigslist.

Bluffton P.D. is an incredibly progressive department for a town this size.

Thanks again for all you do for us.

Don

Don Byers  
Bluffton Citizen's Police Academy

Funk, Trinity

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**From:** Reynolds, Joey  
**Sent:** Monday, February 09, 2015 3:13 PM  
**To:** Gonzales, Christian; Funk, Trinity  
**Subject:** FW: Citizens Police Academy

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**From:** McLain, Lori  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 05, 2015 4:40 PM  
**To:** Reynolds, Joey  
**Subject:** FW: Citizens Police Academy

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Gray Toulmin  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 05, 2015 3:37 PM  
**To:** McLain, Lori  
**Subject:** Citizens Police Academy

The following support request was submitted through the Town of Bluffton contact form:

**Name:** Gray Toulmin  
**Company Name / Govt. Agency:**

**Mailing Address:**  
**Address Line 1:** [REDACTED]  
**Address Line 2:**  
**City:** Bluffton  
**State:** SC  
**Zip:** 29909

**Phone:** [REDACTED]  
**Email:** [REDACTED]

**Comments:**

**Attn:** Chief Reynolds , As a recent graduate of the Citizens Police Academy I would like to thank you and your fine staff relative to going beyond what is normally expected. It was certainly a unique experience and I am certain the graduates have become true ambassadors to the Town of Bluffton Police Department. I recently had the privilege of completing a ride along with Officer Elkin and he reflects great credit on himself and the

entire Police Department. Again, thank you for the opportunity and if I can be of service in the future do not hesitate to contact me. Best regards, Gray

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End of form submission