



**Banner Year**

**Special points of interest:**

- Sheriff Guadagno sworn in as first female sheriff in Monmouth County
- ACES 9-1-1 unveiled in May
- Dive Team participates in SEA Paddle, NYC in August
- Chief Michael “Mickey” Donovan, sworn in September
- Five day sting operation leads to 100 arrests in October
- Non-Support Sweep serves 98 warrants during statewide raid.
- Fire Drill at correctional facility

Dear Friends:

As my second year in office commences, I would like to spend a moment reflecting on my first year as Monmouth County Sheriff.



At the 2008 County re-organization I made several promises which I am delighted to say I am keeping. First, I have addressed the problem of illegal aliens who commit crimes in our county by ensuring, through a federal program known as 287(g), that illegal aliens who break our laws will be immediately transferred to federal custody and deported when appropriate. My program received an endorsement from the editorial board of the Asbury Park Press (APP) on August 24, 2008. It also resulted in a widely condemned protest from various immigration groups. I assure you my efforts in this area will continue.

Second, our partnership with the U.S. Marshals Violent Fugitive Task Force resulted in 107 arrests of violent and dangerous fugitives over a 5 day period in October. Our Violent Fugitive initiative will continue because the Marshals have opened a satellite office here in the Sheriff's Office in Freehold.

Finally, it is satisfying to see that after Assemblywoman Handlin and I introduced a decal that would identify teen-age drivers, the state legislature has forwarded a form of our recommendation to the Governor.

I believe it has been a successful first year. For official information on the Sheriff's Office, please check [www.sheriffguadagno.com](http://www.sheriffguadagno.com). Next year, I look forward to addressing the economic challenges that face us in the county. Expect to see more shared services -and the savings that come with them- coming from my Office. Also, I will continue to address the epidemic of gangs in our county.

Thank you for giving me this opportunity to serve. I hope you and your family have a happy and safe New Year.  
**Kim Guadagno, Sheriff**

**Overview of the Office**

The Monmouth County Sheriff's Office is dedicated to serving the law enforcement needs for the entire county of Monmouth. The office is comprised of 695 dedicated officers and employees and operates three divisions: Law Enforcement consists of a warrants division and fugitive task force, a court security unit, civil process unit, a canine unit and an ID bureau. Corrections, consists of the Monmouth County Correctional Institution and the Youth Detention Center. MCCI is a 1,328 bed facility and among one of the top ten largest county correctional facilities in the nation. The YDC is a temporary holding facility which provides a safe and secure detention for juveniles. Communications, answers 9-1-1 calls for 45 towns and two military facilities, dispatches for 7 police departments, 32 fire departments and 22 first aid squads. Communications also operates two mobile command post units (Field Comm) that respond to large scale incidents and events throughout Monmouth County.

The Sheriff's Office is the first law enforcement agency in the United States of America to be simultaneously accredited by the National Sheriff's Association in five areas of operation. The "Five Star" accreditation achievement includes the law enforcement division, the correctional facility, correctional healthcare, the 9-1-1 emergency dispatch center and youth detention center.

## January/February

January proved to be an historic month here at the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office as Kim Guadagno was sworn as the first female sheriff of Monmouth County. The 75th sheriff of Monmouth County wasted no time getting to work, getting to know her staff and getting to know people in the communities.

It was after a meeting with a Latino group that Sheriff Guadagno unveiled a new initiative in Asbury Park in January, which provides bilingual services to non English speaking resi-



dents during emergency and routine calls. This partnership with the Asbury Park Police Department to have translation services was crucial because of the large non English speaking population in the city. The Monmouth County Sheriff's Office provides a bilingual service/language line through the county's 9-1-1 dispatch system. Through an 800 number, dispatchers are provided with an interpreter who speaks the caller's language

during emergency or routine calls. It's a great tool.

In February, Sheriff Guadagno worked on an initiative near and dear to her heart to address safety issues regarding teenage drivers. Sheriff Guadagno and Assemblywoman Amy Handlin (R-13) announced a regional teen driver safety initiative where police can identify teenagers with provisional licenses through a decal while driving on the roads in Monmouth County.

As the Monmouth County Sheriff and a mother of three, Guadagno made it her duty to help ensure that teenage drivers with provisional licenses drive safely. The goal is to prevent any further tragedies involving teenage drivers on the roadways. Through the GDL decals law enforcement can identify provisional drivers and pull them over if they are not following provisional driver restrictions.

The decals are available to schools throughout the 13<sup>th</sup> District



with the hope that school officials will encourage students to use them. Funding for the decals was provided through the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office with the design assistance of the Middletown Police Department.

## March

In March, the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office SEEK (Sheriff's Emergency Education for Kids) 9-1-1 program celebrated a milestone by reaching its 30,000<sup>th</sup> participant mark. S.E.E.K. 9-1-1 teaches first grade students throughout Monmouth County how to use 9-1-1. The event took place at the Millstone Primary School where Sheriff Guadagno presented a plaque to commemorate the achievement to school officials.

All the first graders became honorary deputy sheriffs. Through video and interactive discussion, the importance of the proper use of 9-1-1 was illustrated. Public Safety Telecommunicators from the Sheriff's Office Communications Division explain what happens when a 9-1-1 call is received and a 9-1-1 simulator affords students the opportunity to experience a 9-1-1 call.

Learning how to dial 9-1-1 is of vital importance to public safety. Children need to know how to get help quickly for their own safety and that of their families. S.E.E.K. 9-1-1 prepares chil-

dren how to make emergency calls and supply the information telecommunicators need to send help. There have been incidents where children saved lives by using the 9-1-1 emergency number.

**CHILDREN ARE OUR MOST VALUABLE RESOURCE**

## April/May

By the end of April the Monmouth County Correctional Institution was all set to simulate a mock fire to test policies and procedures as well as notification and response time from fire companies during a fire drill. The drill consisted of a variety of situations taking place simultaneously. It all started with a fire that began in the lower level laundry room. This area was filled with artificial smoke in order to simulate a realistic situation. Firefighters responded from their stations to simulate actual times. While the fire was being extinguished in the laundry room another fire was set by an unruly inmate in a housing unit. All the inmates were evacuated to the gym, while firefighters and emergency response teams battled the blaze and searched for victims.

Several fire companies participated in the drill and approximately 600' of 1 ½ inch hose was stretched throughout the hallways to the fire area. Two field comm units were dispatched to run two remote command posts. Emergency medical personnel also had an integral part in the drill. The correctional institution's medical team set up a triage unit inside the facility at a safe location and Freehold First Aid was dispatched from the staging area after a firefighter suffered a heart attack.

Two table top meetings were conducted with the chiefs, first aid & Monmouth County Sheriff's Office Communications Division to go over the scenario of the drill. These meetings were vital since participants got the opportunity to review the plans of the institution and see how much mutual aid, tools, manpower & vehicles would be needed if a real situation took place. Additionally, it gave the surrounding departments we utilize for mutual aid, the chance to see the inside layout of the facility and provide vital information needed to properly direct their re-

sources to save valuable time and possibly even life.

It started out as a dream for one public safety telecommunicator, but in May, Kristin Aras got the chance to live out that dream as the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office unveiled ACES 9-1-1, (Adults Calling Emergency Services). The program shows adults when and how to use the county's 9-1-1 system properly.



In 2007, 27,000 non emergency calls were made to the county's 9-1-1 system, which ties up lines for real emergencies. It's critical for people who live and work in Monmouth County to know that 9-1-1 should only be dialed in the event of an emergency.

Through discussions and a video presentation, public safety telecommunicators will focus on how 9-1-1 works and how assistance in using 9-1-1 properly, can help ensure rapid response during emergencies. Adults are told what constitutes an emergency, how to conduct themselves on the phone during the emergency and the role of the 9-1-1 operator. Seniors might feel they're bothering a 9-1-1 operator and other times not even know when they should or should not call for help. ACES 9-1-1 clarifies those issues and much more.

ACES 9-1-1 is a partnership of the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office, Monmouth County Office on Aging and the Monmouth County Department of Economic Development and Tourism.

## June/July

In June Sheriff Guadagno worked on a huge campaign promise, to address the issues of illegal aliens who commit crimes in our county.

Sheriff Guadagno applied for federal authority to conduct immigration background checks on defendants admitted to the Monmouth County Correctional Institution.

The program, known as 287(g), which will only apply to the corrections division of the sheriff's office, will train corrections officers to conduct inquiries into the immigration status of defendants already detained in the jail. If the defendant is found to be an undocumented person, the defendant will be transferred to federal custody within the institution. The federal government will then become responsible for the cost of the defendant's incarceration as well as for processing the defendant pursuant to the federal immigration laws.

We need only to look at the suspects charged with murdering three college students in a school yard in Newark ~ at least one of whom was an undocumented alien out on bail ~ or to the

Fort Dix case ~ where three undocumented aliens who had been in and out of the criminal system for a decade were convicted of conspiracy to kill innocent civilians and service men ~ to know that vigilance is needed when it comes to protecting the public. The program, 287(g), will add assurances to residents in Monmouth County that undocumented criminals will not be released on bail ~ at least not in this county.

Any attention brought to deterring crimes by undocumented illegal aliens in this county is welcome. The taxpayers of the county will no longer support criminals who stay in this country illegally.

For one week in July the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office was all about the kids as the 17<sup>th</sup> annual Sheriff Youth Week got underway. From July 14 -18 more than 60 high school aged students had the opportunity to explore interests in law enforcement through police academy style training and instructional sessions by municipal, county, state and federal law enforcement agencies. Each day was filled with academic instruction as well

July continued

as drill and physical training. Presentations included a K-9 demonstration, firearms overview and a firearms safety class. Some topics of discussion dealt with the narcotics taskforce, women in law enforcement, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office, Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the Monmouth County 9-1-1 Communications Center. The recruits also got the chance to tour the state police museum and the Monmouth County Fire Academy. Sheriff Youth Week concluded with a formal graduation ceremony.



## August/September

In August the Monmouth County Dive Team, which is run by the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office, participated in SEA Paddle NYC, an event organized by the Surfer's Environmental Alliance, based out of Monmouth County. It is a 28 mile paddle on the waterways surrounding NYC to raise money for autism awareness and coastal preservation.

More than 100 surfers, including some professional surfing legends participated in the event. The Monmouth County Dive Team's presence helped ensure safety around Manhattan during the paddle. This effort was a partnership with members of the Jersey City Fire Department's Marine 1. Marine 1 was the fifty foot boat the Monmouth County Dive Team utilized during the paddle.

The Monmouth County Dive Team is comprised of 17 men and women from all divisions of the sheriff's office. All members are cross trained in virtually all areas of aquatic rescue and recovery. The unit is dedicated to the mutual aide support of all government agencies in Monmouth County.



Also in August our canines got equipped with oxygen masks as Miss Pre-Teen New Jersey gave something back to the top dogs of Monmouth County who help fight crime and save lives. Thirteen year old Monica Murphy, of Spring Lake Heights, presented the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office Canine Unit with three sets of oxygen masks at a Monmouth County Freeholder Meeting. The devices can save the life of a dog by providing the animal with oxygen, should the dog suffer from smoke inhalation during a fire.

The Paws 4 A Cause Dog 4-H Club raised money to buy the

masks and has been donating them for the past year. Monica Murphy, whose academic achievements, leadership abilities and creative talents earned her the title of "Miss Pre Teen New Jersey" is a member of the Paws 4 A Cause Dog 4-H Club and presented the club with this idea.



The Monmouth County Sheriff's Office Canine Unit has 6 canines and 5 handlers. The teams are called upon year round to assist local police departments with explosive detection, criminal or missing person searches. The oxygen masks come in sets of three in order to accommodate the size of the animal. The mask is placed on the nose and mouth of the dog and the oxygen is administered through a tube connected to an oxygen tank.

The Child/Adult Safety Fair held by the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office and Greater Media in September proved to be a great success.

Families throughout Monmouth County attended the fun filled event to check out all the activities the fair offered.

Children learned how to dial 9-1-1 through the sheriff's office S.E.E.K. 9-1-1 program. They also had the opportunity to observe the canine unit in action as well as learn about the Monmouth County Dive Team, fire safety techniques and many other programs. Aside from the ice cream area, hot dog stand and face painting, a popular area was the child identification card stand. ID cards are carried by a parent or guardian in an emergency and can be given to local first responders to aid in the location of a child.

The Monmouth County Sheriff's Office is committed to safety and youth education. The safety fair promoted that through the life saving programs and information which is aimed at keeping children out of harms way.

## October/November

October proved to be a busy month for the fugitive task force as more than 100 criminals were apprehended after a five day sting operation. The operation, led by the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office, U.S. Marshals Service, Asbury Park Police along with other law enforcement agencies across the state targeted local, state and international criminals, many who were wanted on felony charges.

During the week-long sweep, members of the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office, U.S. Marshals Service and the Asbury Park Police teamed with federal, state and local authorities and arrested dangerous criminals wanted for manslaughter, gang activity, burglary, robbery, possession of drugs and weapons charges in and around Monmouth County. The task force knocked on doors in the early morning hours, surveiled areas and chased down criminals and as a result, communities where children live and play are now safer.

A large number of the criminals were tracked down in the Asbury Park area. The sweep coincided with the week of Halloween because of the significant increase in crime this time of year. The Asbury Park Street Crimes Unit along with the task force arrested Terrod Turner of Irvington after finding 430 bags of heroin in his possession. The task force also arrested Leszek



Janicki wanted by Poland officials for manslaughter.

The fugitive arrests come on the heels of the US Marshals Service setting up a satellite office at the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office where three Deputy US Marshals will be stationed. The venture will provide the sheriff's office, as well as other local law enforcement agencies access to state, federal and even international data bases. Providing a home base for the violent fugitive task force will ensure that dangerous fugitives living in and around Monmouth County are found, captured and convicted.

The Monmouth County Sheriff's Office and the Monmouth County Office on Aging hosted the seventh annual Triad University at the Monmouth County Police Academy in November. The annual symposium on senior issues was attended by 100 people that included members of law enforcement, senior service professionals and seniors throughout New Jersey. Triad is a nationwide program that brings together municipal police, sheriff's offices and senior service organizations to assess and address the needs of senior citizens. Monmouth County has had a county Triad since 1992, the first in the northeast. Edward Hutchison, Executive Director, National Association of Triads, Inc., gave an overview of Triad at the national level and Kristen Aras and John Cuccia, senior public safety telecommunicators presented ACES 9-1-1, which teaches seniors how to call emergency services. A demonstration on project lifesaver was given by Sheriff's Officer Robin Eckel and Rich Dalfonzo from the Office on Aging. Project Lifesaver is an electronic monitoring program for seniors with memory disorder and children with autism. Other topics discussed were the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office Medical Alert Cards which identifies individuals with special medical conditions and a Medicare overview for seniors which provided them with information for the future.

## December

The Monmouth County Sheriff's Office served 98 warrants while participating in a three day statewide Non-Support Sweep which included the participation of all 21 New Jersey Sheriff's Offices. The offenders who were apprehended by Monmouth County Sheriff's Officers owed more than one million dollars in child support. By the end of the raid, 34,000 dollars had been collected. The goal of the Non-Support Sweep is to apprehend non-custodial parents who failed to pay their court-ordered child support. Additional targets include parents who failed to appear at court hearings to establish a child support order or order for medical support. The sweep was conducted in cooperation with the New Jersey Department of Family Development, Office of Child Support Services and the Probation Division. The success of the non support sweep in Monmouth County is the result of a statewide commitment from sheriff's offices and the cooperation of local law enforcement agencies. During the sweep, Sheriff's Officers responded to ongoing criminal activity and initiated four arrests.

Four new Sheriff's Officer graduated from the Police Academy on December 11, 2008. All four of these officers are bilingual and will add to the diverse resources of our office.





Members of the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office participate in National Ride your bike to work day



Sheriff's Officers with President Obama while providing security at a fundraising event in September 2008 at the home of Bon Jovi in Rumson



S/O George Jelks and K9 Cida graduate K9 training academy



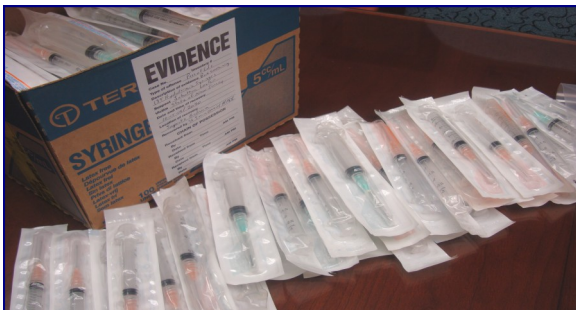
Michael "Mickey" Donovan being sworn in as Chief



Sheriff Guadagno and Undersheriff Cynthia Scott during taping of Monmouth in Focus



Sheriff Guadagno, S/O Bill Burlew and Senator Sean Kean discuss ways to cut duplicated services



Monmouth County Sheriff's Office makes big steroid bust after executing domestic violence restraining order



Several inmates at MCCI receive diploma through on-line GED program