POLICE DEPARTMENT 2006 REPORT

2006 was a year of change for the Pembroke Police Department. Chief Wayne A. Cheney, a 27-year veteran of the department and the Chief of Police since 1998, retired on September 1st. His accomplishments were many. He will best be remembered as the driving force behind the development and construction of the Safety Center in 2004. The Board of Selectmen honored his commitment at his retirement celebration on September 16th by dedicating the police department's conference room in his name. A wall plaque and door placard in the conference room now acknowledges this tribute.

I was honored to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen to replace Chief Cheney and I look forward to serving the citizens of Pembroke. Other transitional changes included the promotion of Detective Sergeant Dwayne Gilman to Lieutenant and the promotion of Officer Dawn Shea to Detective.

The department lost Officer Steve Denoncourt this year when he left the department to seek employment outside of law enforcement. We hired two new officers this year. Officer Jesus "JR" Ostolaza comes to us from the Boston, Massachusetts area. He has over 6 years experience as a municipal police officer with Tufts University, Boston College, and MIT. Officer Bob Kitson joined us in July. He grew up in Epsom and is a graduate of Pembroke Academy. He has over 6 years experience in law enforcement in Merrimack County. Both officers bring experience and enthusiasm to the department that is greatly appreciated.

The police department continues to seek grant funding whenever possible. Last year we obtained funding for OHRV Wheeled Vehicle Patrols, Underage Alcohol Drinking Enforcement, Drunk Driving Sobriety Checkpoints, Highway Safety Cruiser Digital Camera Program, and the Command Training School at Roger Williams University, RI.

In the mid 1990's it became fashionable for police departments to put police officers in local schools in the form of School Resource Officers (SRO). There was federal grant money available and many agencies participated regardless of the need for the position. At that time, and to this day, the police department and the school district enjoy a relationship that any community would be envious of. Both are committed to mutual cooperation to assure the safety, growth, and development of the school children of Pembroke. To help further this end, the time has come to add a full-time SRO to the Pembroke Schools. The volume of incidents occurring at the schools warrants this response. The School Resource Officer will be working primarily at Pembroke Academy. They will serve as the DARE Officer at the Three Rivers School and will present satellite safety programs at the Pembroke Village and Hill Schools.

The citizens of Pembroke are fortunate to have a group of dedicated men and women serving them in their police department. It is hard to express in words how proud I am of each and every one of them for their dedication and commitment to keeping the Pembroke Police Department the finest police agency possible. Their hard work in part comes from the support we continually receive from the Town Administrator, the Board of Selectmen, and the citizens of Pembroke. We appreciate the continued support.

Respectfully submitted, Scott J. Lane Chief of Police

TABLE OF ORGANIZATION

CHIEF OF POLICE

Scott J. Lane

LIEUTENANT

Dwayne R. Gilman

PATROL DIVISION

Sgt. Glenn Northrup Accident Reconstructionist

Sgt. Michael Crockwell Field Training Officer, Firearms Instructor
Off. Ian Nickerson Firearms Instructor, Drug Recognition Expert

Off. Joshua Stone Drug Recognition Expert
Off. Gary Allen Accident Reconstructionist
Off. Robert Kittson Field Training Officer

Off. Jesus "JR" Ostolaza, Jr. Patrol Officer

CRIMINAL DIVISION

Det. Dawn Shea Defensive Tactics Coordinator

ADMINSTRATIVE DIVISION

Mary Ann Ricciotti Administrative Assistant

Annette Alley Receptionist

SUPPORT SERVICES

Rev/Lt. Dan StauffacherDepartment ChaplainRoger DuquetteBuilding MaintenanceDennis LevequeBuilding Maintenance

Rick Bilodeau Radio Repair

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Career development continues to be one of the most important functions of the police department. The commitment a police department makes to its training program is a direct reflection on how the agency values the growth and development of its employees. It is an important consideration for police officer candidates who want to work for an agency that values them. Additionally, well trained officers reduce liability as the likelihood of poor performance is reduced. Proper training allows the officer to perform more efficiently and helps them bring the best possible services to the residents of town.

The department's officers completed over 107 individual training courses this past year, logging over 500 hours of training.

Some of the courses completed are listed below.

Advanced Accident Investigation Avian Flu Response Drug Recognition Expert Humor in the Workplace Intoxilyzer Operator National Incident Management System Power Line Safety Prevent Terrorist Activity

Response to Terrorist Bombing Simunitions Stress Management ATV Riders Course Blood Borne Pathogens

Fitness 101
Injury Prevention
Landlord Tenant Law
Portable Breath Test Operator
Press & Media Relations
Reactive Pistol Course
Sig Arms Amours Course
State and Local Anti-Terrorism
What's New in Employee Law?

CRIMINAL DIVISION

The town experienced a decrease in burglaries in 2006 with a total of 19 being reported compared to 30 in 2006. We had two attempted burglaries at residential dwellings. Out of all of the burglaries, 100 percent of the time suspects exited the building out of a rear door. 11 percent entered the residence by breaking a window. 11 percent pried a door or window to gain entry into a locked residence. 22 percent of the time the rear door used to gain entry into the building. In one lone case, the air conditioner was removed from the window in order to gain entry into the building. *Once again, no residential burglaries were reported in homes with working burglar alarms*.

Thefts from residential houses and commercial buildings totaled 14 in 2006. This type of theft is someone who is known to the property owner and who has taken property without the owners consent. All other would be considered a burglary.

Thefts from motor vehicles increased from 15 in 2005 to 23 reports in 2006. Four cars were stolen from a residential area of town and later recovered.

The number of drug investigations continues to increase. Many of the successful cases we investigate are the result of information that we received from the public. Often one tip isn't enough to make an arrest in a drug investigation. However, by carefully documenting all the information we receive, over time, the totality of our information will lead to arrests.

The vast majority of the crimes we investigate are directly related to substance abuse. Below are some of the statistics for 2006.

Burglary Residential and Commercial	19
Attempted Burglary	2
Robbery Unarmed	2
Shoplifting	1
Motor Vehicle Thefts	4
Thefts from Motor Vehicles	23
Theft from Building	14
Issuing Bad Checks	22
Drug Investigations	55

CALLS FOR SERVICE	2007	2006	2005	2004
Dispatch Calls Received		12,630	9228	11167
911 Calls		137	166	180
Citizen Assists		782	561	562
Motorist Assist		202	207	241
Assist other Police/Fire/Ambulance		894	507	550
Building/House Check		323	293	480
Juvenile Involved		304	232	244
Alarm Calls		300	359	369
Domestic Disturbance/Related Calls		112	101	133
Animal Complaints		261	237	295
Motor Vehicle Stops		2506	1653	2596
Defective Equipment Tags		364	229	335
Parking Tickets		716	553	960
Motor Vehicle Warnings		969	605	1188
Motor Vehicle Summons		651	520	750
Motor Vehicle Collisions		140	147	181
Juvenile Missing/Runaway		12	51	38
Driving While Intoxicated		28	18	21
Liquor Law Violations		37	21	25
Simple Assault		10	15	12
Sexual Assault/Related		61	67	58
Aggravated Assault		1	3	8
Intimidation/Harassment/Stalking/Criminal Threatening		31	52	57
Criminal Mischief/Vandalism		141	83	103
Criminal Trespass		16	11	17
Drug Possession/Use/Sale		55	50	39
False Pretence/Fraud/Theft of Services		40	49	35
Forgery/Theft by deception		5	18	21
Armed Robbery		2	1	0
ACTIVITY STATISTICS				
Total Offenses Committed		1079	845	981
Total Crime Related Incidents		777	522	626
Total Felonies		96	119	105
Total Non Crime Incidents		61	56	114
On view Arrests		228	135	153
Arrest on Warrants		137	159	169
Summons Arrests		52	9	15
Protective Custody		73	23	43
Juvenile Arrests		76	50	104