

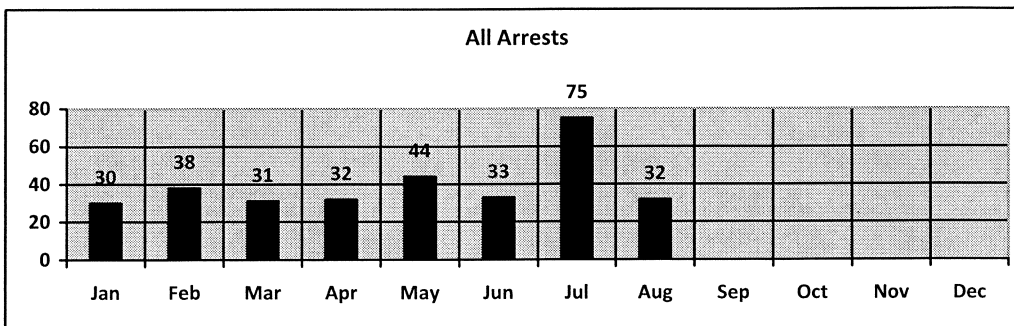
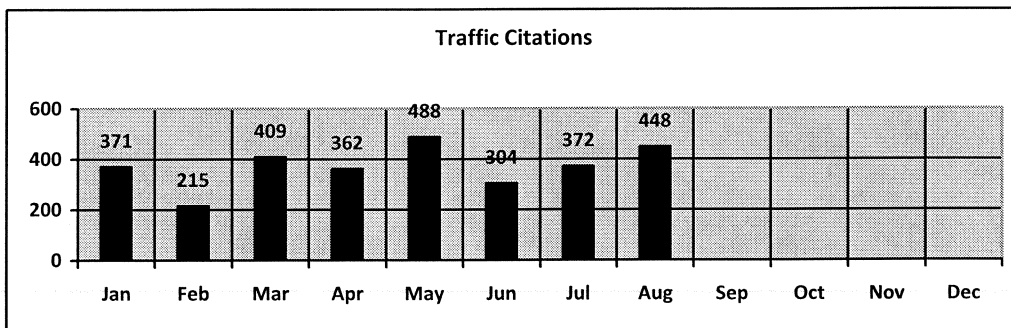
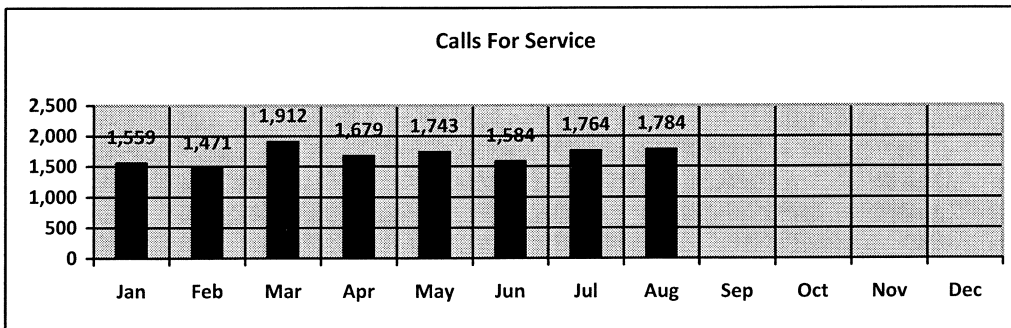
Horizon City Police Department

Monthly Report
 Chief of Police, Michael G. McConnell, Ph.D.



August, 2013

| Description | Number | |
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| | This Month | Last Month |
| Traffic Citations | 448 | 372 |
| Traffic Warnings | 55 | 54 |
| Parking Tickets (this is mostly code enforcement) | 52 | 64 |
| Investigations – Cases assigned | 14 | 20 |
| Investigations – Cases cleared | 10 | 21 |
| Investigations – Cases remaining open | 22 | 19 |
| Criminal Arrests | 24 | 28 |
| Municipal Court Arrests including Arrest Warrants | 8 | 47 |
| Total Schools Calls | 11 | 5 |
| Calls For Service | 1,783 | Year to date – 13,501 |
| Traffic accidents | 20 | |



Items of Interest

- Chief McConnell attended two Executive JTTF (Joint Terrorist Task Force) board meetings.

Communications Division

During the month of August our communications coordinator attended the CAD user's meeting at the downtown communications center. Various new commands are being considered for the I/Cad system to make things faster (and in some cases easier) for the dispatchers. In addition, we learned that the I/Cad system will be upgraded early next year to improve its functionality.

Crime Prevention – Community Outreach Efforts

Explorers

The Horizon City Police Department Explorer Program has maintained steady membership numbers throughout the summer months and has seen much interest from students just returning to school. With all the national incidents, more and more students are showing an interest in law enforcement and public service. With the availability of these programs at a high school level, students learn theory at school and come to HCPD for hands-on experience with police tools such as radio communications, weapons familiarization, and community policing.

Movies in the Park Summer Series

The Movies in the Park Summer Series was a success in August, and in great part, thanks to the Annual "Free Hot Dog Night" hosted by the Horizon City Police Association. During this event, the members of the HCPA were present to meet and greet with the public while preparing delicious hot dogs for our community's families. In addition to the food, the Town of Horizon City sponsored live entertainment. FM Junkies, a variety cover band, kicked off the night with a fabulous selection of 80's, 90's and Top 10 hits.

The Movies in the Park Summer Series has provided sponsors with great promotion opportunities through their sponsorship of movies. If that wasn't enough, the program has also provided a platform for public service announcements for our city administration, police department, and even Crime Stoppers.

Neighborhood Watch

HCPD and the HCPD Police Explorers teamed up and conducted a door-to-door crime prevention information campaign to educate our community on how to keep from becoming victims of burglaries. The information was distributed in door hang bags in two Horizon City neighborhoods recently hit with preventable burglaries and thefts.

Promoting Teen Driver Safety

Officer Casillas held her monthly Teens In The Driver's Seat presentation at the West Texas Defensive driving school where she taught new teenage drivers to get their Facebook time at home and in the coffee shop and not while driving.

New HCPD Website

The Horizon City PD website went through a major overhaul during the month of August. In addition to a sleek new look featuring imagery taken right here in Horizon City, many new useful pages have been added to it, such as pages where citizens can report an officers exceptional or

sub-par conduct as well as the new Special Needs registry page where families can provide information on their special needs members so that the department may have information on hand in the event that the special needs person goes missing or has an episode. The HCPD continues to focus on providing outstanding customer service to the community with added convenience.

Upcoming Community Outreach Events

September 11, 2013- September 11th Memorial Ceremony

October 1, 2013- National Night Out

October 14, 2013- Citizen's Police Academy. Class 2

Warrants Division

Warrants officers assisted the Horizon Municipal court by serving 60 summonses. Warrants officers made approximately 140 contacts either executing warrants or leaving red tags advising people that they had outstanding traffic warrants with the Horizon Municipal court.

During the month of August, we arrested 30 people; some of them were arrested during court proceedings. A spreadsheet was kept on the amount of warrants that are being cleared either by the warrants officers or patrol officers during traffic stops. This month total was \$19,822.00 of warrants that were cleared either by collecting the total bond or being booked into the El Paso County Detention Facility.

Warrants officers are looking at scheduling a warrants round up by the end of the month of September.

Criminal Investigations Division (CID)

Detectives received a case of Accident involving damage to a vehicle. The victim's vehicle was struck and the suspect drove away from the scene of the accident. A witness saw what had occurred, followed the driver who drove off, and provided responding officers with the information. The officers were unable to make contact with anyone at the address registered for the vehicle. Detective P. Mitro obtained a search warrant for the property and seized the vehicle involved in the accident. The owner of the vehicle provided a statement about the account of events on the day of the incident. The case was referred to the District Attorney's office non-arrest for review and final disposition.

A suspect was charged, arrested, and booked into the El Paso County Detention Facility for Burglary of Habitation. The suspect became friends with the homeowner's son and returned when no one was at the house to burglarize the home. Detectives obtained a search warrant for the suspect's home. The Crime scene unit was used to execute the search warrant. Some of the stolen items were recovered and the suspect was taken into custody.

Detectives attended the JOIC and HIDTA meetings on a weekly basis. Other cases received during the month of August were burglary of building, burglary of habitation, injury to a child, harassment, forgery and theft of property.

August Training Summary 2013

Cultural Diversity (8 hours): This course takes a look at some of the diverse cultures in Texas, giving Texas Peace Officers and Correctional Officers an understanding of how cultural and ethnic factors can hinder communication and ideas and suggestions for breaking down those communication barriers.

Officer in attendance: J. Montelongo

Behavior Analysis (16 hours): Officers learn to recognize differing behaviors and how to respond to them in a way to further their investigation of criminal activity.

Officers in attendance: Amezcua, Williams, Jacobo

Crime Scene Investigation (32 hours): Officers learn how properly document and process a crime scene.

Officers in attendance: Arvizu, Rosas, Williams

Criminal Gang Interdiction (24 hours): Officers learn a variety of tactics designed to interdict and investigate criminal gang related crime.

Officers in attendance: Arvizu, Zeiger, Ramirez, J. Rodriguez

Active Shooter Response (16 hours): Instructs officers how to setup, coordinate, and combat an active shooter situation.

Officers in attendance: Campbell, Flores, Mitre.

Special Investigative Topics (32 hours): This class is a refresher course of State Law concerning crimes against children, and sex crimes.

Officer in attendance: Montelongo

Arrest, Search, and Seizure (15 hours): This course instructs the student to be able to explain various circumstances when authorized by law to arrest persons and to define and explain suspicious and probable cause.

Officer in attendance: Orona

343 total hours TCOLE training credit for August 2013.

Respectfully Submitted,



Mike McConnell
Chief of Police



Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

| Number of TRAFFIC Offenses (for *ALL*) | 503 |
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| Number of CITATIONS | 448 |
| No Drivers License | 59 |
| Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) | 53 |
| Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) | 44 |
| Fail to Maintian Financial Responsibility | 37 |
| Ran Stop Sign - Operator has view of approaching traffic. | 29 |
| Defective Stop Lamp(s) | 29 |
| Driving While License Invalid Under Provisions of DL Laws | 19 |
| Expired Motor Vehicle Inspection | 19 |
| Ran Stop Sign - At a clearly marked stop line. | 15 |
| Expired Registration/Plates | 14 |
| Fail to Maintain Financial Resp. | 14 |
| Defective Head Lamps | 9 |
| Passing In a School Zone | 7 |
| Unrestrained Child 8 YOA or Younger | 5 |
| Violate DL Restriction | 5 |
| Expired Drivers License | 5 |
| Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name | 5 |
| Restrictions on Windows \$36.90 | 5 |
| No Seat Belt - Driver | 4 |
| Fail to Display Drivers License | 4 |
| Speeding School Zone (1 -10 Miles Over) | 4 |
| Fail to Control Speed | 3 |
| Defective Tail Lamp(s) | 3 |
| Consumption of Alcohol By Minor | 3 |
| Possession of Drug Paraphernalia | 3 |
| No License Plate Light | 2 |



Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

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| Fail to Properly Restrain a Dog | 2 |
| Failed to Yield Row (Private Drive/Alley/Building) | 2 |
| Failed to Yield Row Turning Left | 2 |
| Open Container | 2 |
| Operate Unregistered Motor Vehicle | 2 |
| Improper Turn/Illegal Turn | 2 |
| Animal Nuisance/Biting or Injuring Any Aminoal or Person | 2 |
| Child (8-17) Not Secured by Safety Belt | 2 |
| Speeding (21-25 Miles Over) | 2 |
| Use of Wireless Communication Device | 2 |
| Wrong or Obscured License Plate | 1 |
| Unsafe Backing | 1 |
| Speeding (26 + Miles Over) | 1 |
| Speeding School Zone (11 - 16) | 1 |
| Speeding School Zone 17 + Miles | 1 |
| Theft Under \$50.00 | 1 |
| Equipment/Missing or None | 1 |
| Disregarded Warning Sign at Constrction | 1 |
| Drive on a Non Truck Route | 1 |
| Driving Under The Influence -Minor | 1 |
| Carrying Passengers on ATV | 1 |
| Changed Lane When Unsafe | 1 |
| Crossing Physical Barrier | 1 |
| Defective Brakes | 1 |
| Fail to Yield Row Changing Lanes | 1 |
| Fail to Yield to Pedestrian in Crosswalk (No Signals) | 1 |
| Failed to Signal Turn | 1 |
| Failed to Signal Turn/Lane Change | 1 |
| Failed to Yield at Yield Intersection | 1 |



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| Failed to Yield Right of Way | 1 |
| Failed to Yield Row Turning on Red Signal | 1 |
| Illegal Parking of Large Trucks/Tractor/Trailer \$46.00 | 1 |
| Failed to Yield Row to Emergency Vehcile | 1 |
| Reckless /Damage or Destruction Over \$50.00 | 1 |
| Reckless Driving | 1 |
| Reckless or Careless Operation Prohibited | 1 |
| Passed- Insufficient Clearance | 1 |
| Ran Red Light | 1 |
| Possession of Alcohol By Minor | 1 |
| Number of WARNINGS | 55 |
| Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) | 8 |
| Defective Head Lamps | 6 |
| Defective Stop Lamp(s) | 6 |
| Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) | 6 |
| Ran Stop Sign - Operator has view of approaching traffic. | 4 |
| Fail to Maintian Financial Responsibility | 3 |
| No License Plate Light | 2 |
| Ran Stop Sign - At a clearly marked stop line. | 2 |
| Defective Tail Lamp(s) | 2 |
| Violate DL Restriction | 2 |
| Wrong or Obscured License Plate | 1 |
| Unrestrained Child 8 YOA or Younger | 1 |
| Speeding School Zone (11 - 16) | 1 |
| Driving While License Invalid Under Provisions of DL Laws | 1 |
| Crossing Physical Barrier | 1 |
| Fail to Display Drivers License | 1 |
| Expired Registration/Plates | 1 |
| Expired Motor Vehicle Inspection | 1 |



Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

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| Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name | 1 |
| Failed to /Signal Intent to Turn | 1 |
| Failed to Signal Turn/Lane Change | 1 |
| No Drivers License | 1 |
| Reckless or Careless Operation Prohibited | 1 |
| Passing In a School Zone | 1 |

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| Number of PARKING Offenses (for *ALL*) | 52 |
| Number of CITATIONS | 52 |
| Parking on Front or Side Yard- \$46.00 Not a moving Violation | 26 |
| Parked Facing Traffic - \$46.00 | 13 |
| Parking/Stopping/Standing on a Sidewalk - \$46.00 | 7 |
| Illegal Parking of Large Trucks/Tractor/Trailer \$46.00 | 4 |
| Storing of Motor Vehicle - Unlicensed/Unregistered \$139.00 | 1 |
| Park/Stand w/ 30 Ft of A Traffic Control Device - \$46.00 | 1 |

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| Number of NON-TRAFFIC Offenses (for *ALL*) | 2 |
| Number of CITATIONS | 2 |
| In City parks after hours 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. | 2 |