



# Georgetown County Sheriff's Report

February 2009

## *From The Sheriff's Desk*

### *The Tradition Club in Litchfield Donates Money*

Sheriff A. Lane Cribb would like to thank The Tradition Property Owners Association for donating \$700 to the Georgetown County Sheriff's Office *Shop with Santa Program*. The check was presented to Sheriff Cribb and Corporal Robert Patterson on December 10, 2008 at The Tradition Residents' Clubhouse by Dick Culver and other members of the property owners association.

On November 22, 2008, The Tradition Property Owners Association held a pancake breakfast for a second year to raise money for the *Shop with Santa Program*. Over 100 people attended the breakfast which was prepared by residents of The Tradition (led by Dick Culver). They planned the event this year with the goal to raise more money than last years donation of \$625. They were successful in doing so.

The \$5.00 meal included pancakes, sausage, orange juice, and coffee which were donated by the Litchfield Piggly Wiggly and club members.

#### **NEED A DEPUTY?**

**IN AN EMERGENCY, ALWAYS DIAL 9-1-1**

For non-emergencies, Monday through Friday, 8:30am until 5:00pm, call 546-5102. Nights & Weekends, call 546-5101.



Sheriff A. Lane Cribb



Sheriff Cribb accepts donation from Dick Culver as Corporal Robert Patterson and other club members look on.

#### **REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS IN GEORGETOWN COUNTY**

**144**

For more information, log onto [www.gcsheriff.org](http://www.gcsheriff.org)

#### **GEORGETOWN COUNTY DUI ARRESTS SINCE JANUARY 1, 2009**

**35**

**DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE!!**

### Shop with Santa = Joy to Children

Due to the success of the last 3 years, Sheriff A. Lane Cribb again brought joy to area children by continuing the *Shop with Santa Program* this past Christmas season. *Shop with Santa* is an event that gives children who are deemed less fortunate an opportunity to shop for themselves or anyone else they may choose.

On Saturday, December 13, 2008 at 8am, 36 children met at the Georgetown County Sheriff's Office, where each child was assigned to a deputy and was given a \$100 gift card to spend on Christmas gifts. The Georgetown County School District donated a school bus and a driver to take the children to Wal-Mart where they met with their assigned deputy. Before they began shopping, the children were treated to breakfast provided by Wal-Mart. Afterwards, many of the children went directly to the toy section, whereas others concentrated on finding new clothes. The deputies said it was very touching to see the children buying for others in their family and not just for themselves.

After about an hour of shopping, everyone returned to the sheriff's office where the children were treated to lunch, provided by Chick-fil-A of Murrells Inlet. They also were able to have their purchases wrapped by members of the group *Service Over Self*, as well as employees of the sheriff's office.

For this year's event, the children were selected by their school guidance counselors from each of the county's nine elementary schools. The criteria for selection was that each child had to have good grades, maintain good behavior, as well as have a social need. In addition to the donation provided by the Traditions Property Owners Association in Litchfield, *Shop with Santa* was made possible by the proceeds from the 911 fundraiser, held at The Dead Dog Saloon of Murrells Inlet, September 11, 2008. They donated \$4200.



### Welcome to the Sheriff's Office

We welcome back to the sheriff's office, Investigator Melvyn Garrett!! Inv. Garrett started with the Georgetown County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) as a Patrol Deputy in 2002. From 2002-2006, while working in the Patrol Division, he also was a member of the SWAT Team. In 2006, Inv. Garrett transferred to the Criminal Investigations Division (CID). He worked in Investigations for a year, before deciding to go overseas in October 2007. Investigator Garrett spent one year in Iraq, training Iraqi police. He returned to Georgetown in November 2008 and to the sheriff's office in December 2008. He is presently working again as an Investigator in the Criminal Investigations Division.



Investigator Melvyn Garrett

Investigator Phillip Hanna joined the Georgetown County Sheriff's Office after being hired by Sheriff Lane Cribb on January 5, 2009. Before joining the Georgetown County Sheriff's Office, Inv. Hanna was with the Florence County Sheriff's Office. He left there in November 2008 after 18.5 years of service. He's been in Investigations since 1992.



Investigator Phillip Hanna

Investigator Hanna lives in Lake City. We welcome him to the Georgetown County Sheriff's Office and, more specifically, to the Criminal Investigations Division. In his new capacity, Investigator Hanna will be responsible for employing thorough and timely investigative techniques in order to ensure an efficient and effective criminal investigation for the citizens of Georgetown County.

### New Deputies going to Judicial Center

The new Georgetown County Judicial Center will become home to seven newly hired Georgetown County Sheriff's Office Deputies. The center is expected to open in mid-Spring. The seven deputies are Deputy Joseph Bauer, Deputy Timothy Cassidy, Deputy Dana Dennis, Deputy Sue Mowry, Deputy Christopher Naatz, Deputy Katrina Rusnak, Deputy Leroy Scott.



Deputy Joseph Bauer



Deputy Timothy Cassidy



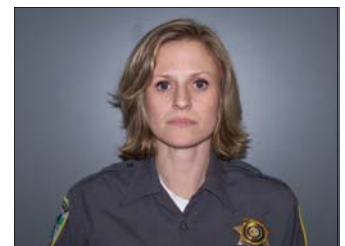
Deputy Dana Dennis



Deputy Sue Mowry



Deputy Christopher Naatz



Deputy Katrina Rusnak



Deputy Leroy Scott



## Welcome Back to the Sheriff's Office

We welcome back to the sheriff's office, Officer Rudy Hansen! Officer Hansen started with the sheriff's office in January 2001 and worked in the Georgetown County Courthouse. After about a year in the courthouse, he was transferred to Andrews High as a School Resource Officer (SRO). He was with Andrews High for approximately two years.



Officer Rudy Hansen

After his tenure with the schools, Officer Hansen was transferred to the Juvenile Division. While working within this division, he also worked overflow cases with the Criminal Investigations Division (CID). After about a year with the Juvenile Division, Officer Hansen was transferred to the Criminal Investigations Division, full-time.

After approximately two years as an Investigator within the CID, in November 2006, Officer Hansen decided to go overseas to Afghanistan. He spent two years overseas, stationed in Kabul, as a mentor and trainer to the Afghan National Police. He returned to Georgetown in December 2008 and was hired back to the Georgetown County Sheriff's Office by Sheriff Cribb in February 2009 and will be working again as a School Resource Officer.....this time, at Carvers Bay.

Officer Hansen is a retired Maryland State Policeman, where he worked from 1972-1995. He now resides in Georgetown, and we do welcome him back to the sheriff's office!

## School Resource Officer Transferred to Investigations

Deputy Ryan Owens was transferred to the Criminal Investigations Division in February 2009. Investigator Owens began his law enforcement career with the Georgetown County Sheriff's Office as a Reserve Deputy in 2002 after graduating from Horry-Georgetown Technical College with a degree in Criminal Justice.



Investigator Ryan Owens

He was a Reserve Deputy until 2004, when he got hired full-time with the sheriff's office.

Investigator Owens was hired full-time in January 2004 and immediately went to work in the Uniform Patrol Division. He stayed in Patrol until 2006 when he got transferred to Andrews High as a School Resource Officer.

Investigator Owens stayed at Andrews High for one year and was then transferred to Carvers Bay for two years. In his new full-time role as Investigator with the Criminal Investigations Division, Investigator Owens will be responsible for employing thorough and timely investigative techniques in order to ensure an efficient and effective criminal investigation for the citizens of Georgetown County.

Investigator Owens was born and raised in Georgetown, where he still resides.

## Happy Birthday to these Sheriff's Office, Detention Center, and Central Communications Employees!!! February 2009



*Carly Baylor Elaine Richardson  
Matt Cox Collin D'Anna  
Tracie Milligan Wayne Owens  
T.L. Staub Melexa Stone  
Kathi Tanner Carter Weaver  
Estella Rodriguez Collette Wineglass  
Christopher Naatz Leroy Scott*



## January 2009 Monthly Report

Calls for Service	2931
Reported Incidents	471
CDV Incidents	34
Warrants Received	259
Warrants Recalled	49
Warrants Served	189

<b>Reportable Incidents</b>		
Murder	1	Burglary 28
Forcible Rape	0	Larceny 81
Robbery	2	Motor Vehicle Theft 08
Assaults	17	<b>Total 137</b>

\*Reportable Incidents are sent to the National Incident Based Reporting System.