



Georgetown County Sheriff's Report

October 2007

From The Sheriff's Desk

Deserving Tribute

Currently there are 82 sworn deputies at the Georgetown County Sheriff's Office, imagine only 9 deputies when Chief Deputy Bobby A. Grantham began his career with the sheriff's office in 1968. Today, Chief Grantham is still working as a civil processor which he has been doing since he retired in 1994. After so many years of dedicated service to the sheriff's office and Georgetown County, I felt like we should honor him by naming a road after him.

After having a road named after Chief Grantham, on August 31, 2007 I along with a couple others and Chief Grantham, went out on Highway 51 to the road, leading to the sheriff's office firing range, named after him. He had no idea where we were going and why we were going, it worked out perfect because we had no resistance getting him in the vehicle. When we began approaching the road, I asked him if he noticed anything and he said, "yes I do". There were very few words to follow but you could tell that he was very appreciative. When we left, he said, "Thank you".

Chief Grantham came to Georgetown from his hometown of Lakeview, SC in 1959 when he began his law enforcement career with the Georgetown Police Department. Chief Grantham's brother was a SC Highway Patrolman and knew the Chief of Georgetown, Fred Nobles, who hired him after receiving a good word from his brother.

When Chief Grantham was hired by Sheriff Woodrow Carter in 1968, he along with eight other deputies were required to drive their personal vehicles with a small vehicle allowance. There was no particular schedule they worked, they always



Sheriff A. Lane Cribb

worked, even when they were off. If a citizen needed assistance, they would call the deputy that lived nearby because there were no dispatchers. On into his career, calls were eventually dispatched out of the old jail by the jailer.

Grantham received the rank of Chief in 1981 when Sheriff Woodrow Carter named him his Chief Deputy which he held until 1994 when he retired. The next day after he retired, he returned to work as a civil processor which is the position he is currently holding today.



Chief Grantham is also currently holding his county vehicle. In 1992, he was issued a new 1992 Ford Crown Vic and he is still driving it today. On several occasions, I have attempted to persuade him to accept a new vehicle but he continues to refuse because he says he likes the car and it still runs good. I will have to agree with him because the odometer stopped at 233,555 miles a few years ago and it is still going.

Thirty-nine years later, Chief Grantham is still a very important part of the sheriff's office, everyone continues to have respect for him and most important of all, he is happy doing what he likes doing.

**GEORGETOWN COUNTY DUI
ARRESTS SINCE JANUARY 1, 2007**

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DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE!!

Lieutenant Completes DUCA

On August 30, 2007, Lieutenant Kelvin Waites completed a two week course at the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Drug Unit Commanders Academy (DUCA) in Quantico, Virginia.



Lieutenant Kelvin Waites

DUCA is a two-week school designed for commanders of state, local, federal, and foreign drug enforcement units created by the DEA's Office of Training, Leadership Development Unit. The purpose is to enhance a supervisor's personal and professional development as a narcotics supervisor. The DEA's Office of Training conducts four academies each year at the DEA Training Academy and pays all costs associated with the school.

Lt. Waites attended the 60th session of DUCA which consisted of 53 men and women from the United States, U.S. territories and throughout the world such as Spain, South Africa, Puerto Rico, and Croatia. "This was a very good educational experience and I learned a lot but the one thing I benefited from the most was training with law enforcement from all over the world because we all brought with us a vast range of different levels of experience," said Lt. Waites.

The ten days of instruction consisted of the following topics: Visions of Courage and Survival, State and Local Concerns, Challenging Organizational Culture, Risk Management, Leading in the Shadows, High Tech Dealing, Contemporary Issues of the Undercover Process, Clandestine Labs, Evolution of Addiction, Concealed Compartments, and Emotional Survival for Law Enforcement. These classes were taught by instructors from DEA, Louisiana State Police, Graham Research, Viking Tactics, University of Maryland, U.S. Army, ES Press, Inc., and AIS.

REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS IN GEORGETOWN COUNTY

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Victims Advocate Turns Investigator

After working as a Victims Advocate for the Georgetown County Sheriff's Office for five years, Melexa Stone decided to make a career change and become an investigator.



Investigator Melexa Stone

Investigator Stone began working part time in law enforcement with Florence County Sheriff's Office in 1999 while she completed Francis Marion College with a Bachelors in Psychology. She was then hired by Sheriff Lane Cribb in July of 2002 as a Victims Advocate.

Investigator Stone said, "I have always wanted to be an investigator since I worked with investigations in Florence County and I am really enjoying my new position."

As all South Carolina certified law enforcement officers, Investigator Stone attended the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy for nine weeks of intense training. She graduated on August 3, 2007 and immediately went to work in Uniform Patrol for her FTO training. When she completed FTO training, she began in investigations. Currently she is investigating Criminal Sexual Conduct, Violent CDV, and Child Abuse cases.

Happy Birthday to the Following Sheriff's Office, Detention Center and Central Communications Employees!!!

October 2007



- Camita Brown*
- Warren Chalk*
- Amy Glover*
- Bill Pierce*
- Shanetta Kennedy*
- Denise King*
- Caroline Kennedy*
- James Elmore*
- Sabrian Stevens*
- Alex Blake*
- Jessie Williams*
- Bobby Grantham*
- Vince Weaver*
- Shirlease Maynard*



August 2007 Monthly Report

Calls for Service	3,431
Reported Incidents	652
CDV Incidents	41
Warrants Received	339
Warrants Recalled	94
Warrants Served	194

Reportable Incidents		
Murder	0	Burglary 37
Forcible Rape	3	Larceny 81
Robbery	2	Motor Vehicle Theft 83
Agg. Assaults	14	Total 220

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