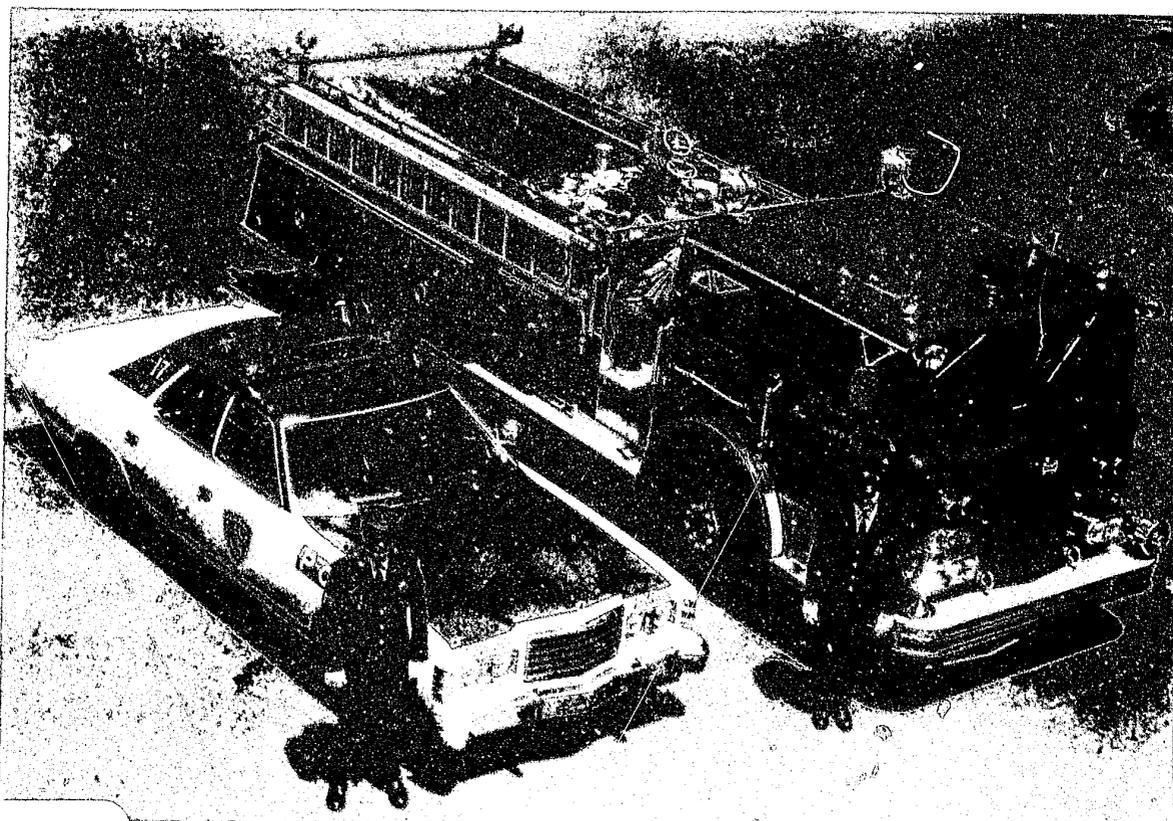


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THE CITY OF WHITE PLAINS  
ANNUAL REPORT



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John M. Dolce  
COMMISSIONER



JOHN M. DOLCE

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Hon. Alfred Del Vecchio and Members of the Common Council:

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Robert Ruger

It is my pleasure to submit the Annual Report of the Department of Public Safety for the fiscal year 1977-78. For the purpose of clarification, all crime statistics cited in this report are based on the calendar year 1977, so as to be consistent with the National Uniform Crime Report system.

This report is submitted in narrative form, statistics, graphs and photographs and is an account of the Departments of Police, Fire, Weights & Measures, Seizure and Impounding of Dogs and Other Animals, Transportation Facilities, License Divisions, Auxiliary Police and Volunteer Fire Divisions; and includes reports from the Examining Board of Stationary Engineers and Examining Board of Motion Picture Operators.

Police Department statistics reveal that during the year 1977, the Police responded to 40,962 radio dispatched calls, as compared with 39,637 in 1976, an increase of 3.3%. The Crime Index revealed a decrease in index crimes of 8% in 1977, as compared with the previous year; whereas the nationwide index decreased 4% during the same period.

During 1977, the Fire Department responded to 1,815 alarms vs. 1,690 alarms in 1976, an increase of 7.4%. Fire losses due to fire and other fire related causes showed a significant decrease in 1977. The loss for 1976 was \$ 464,000, as compared to \$ 259,385 in 1977. The primary reason for this decrease was due to the fact that in 1976, we experienced two large fires, having a combined dollar loss of \$ 236,000.

May I take this opportunity to thank you and each member of the Council, as well as all City Department Heads and employees, for their excellent cooperation throughout the year.

Sincerely,

John M. Dolce  
Commissioner of Public Safety



SEATED

HONORABLE ALFRED DEL VECCHIO, MAYOR

STANDING LEFT TO RIGHT

MEMBERS OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

Harry Bright, Mary Ann Keenan, Nancy Wallace, Michael A. Coffey,  
Joyce Gordon and Robert Ruger.



MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL

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Anthony Grant, Sr. Asst. Corp. Coun.

Conrad Obregon, Sp. Asst. Corp. Coun.

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Paul Richmond, Sr. Asst. Corp. Coun.

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Acting City Judge

Hon. Santi L. Carnevali  
Administrative City Judge

Hon. Robert J. Hecker  
Associate City Judge

(not shown)

Hon. Paul H. Blaustein  
Associate City Judge



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**PUBLIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION**



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:

Carmine J. Motto, Dep.  
Comm. of Public Safety -

William J. McMahon,  
Fire Chief -

John M. Dolce,  
Comm. of Public Safety -

J. Stewart Henry,  
Chief of Police.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
PHYSICIAN

Dr. Anthony Marano has been the Department Physician since July 3, 1968, and has many important Department responsibilities, not the least of which is keeping the Commissioner informed almost daily, on the medical condition of members of the Department.



DR. ANTHONY MARANO

**PUBLIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION**



BETTY HUNTINGTON

ASSISTANT TO THE COMMISSIONER

Betty Huntington is responsible for the orderly flow of administrative and secretarial work that goes from Public Safety to other City Departments and assists the Commissioner in administrative matters regarding budget preparation, payroll, pensions, sick leave and a multitude of other paperwork involved in the running of the Department.

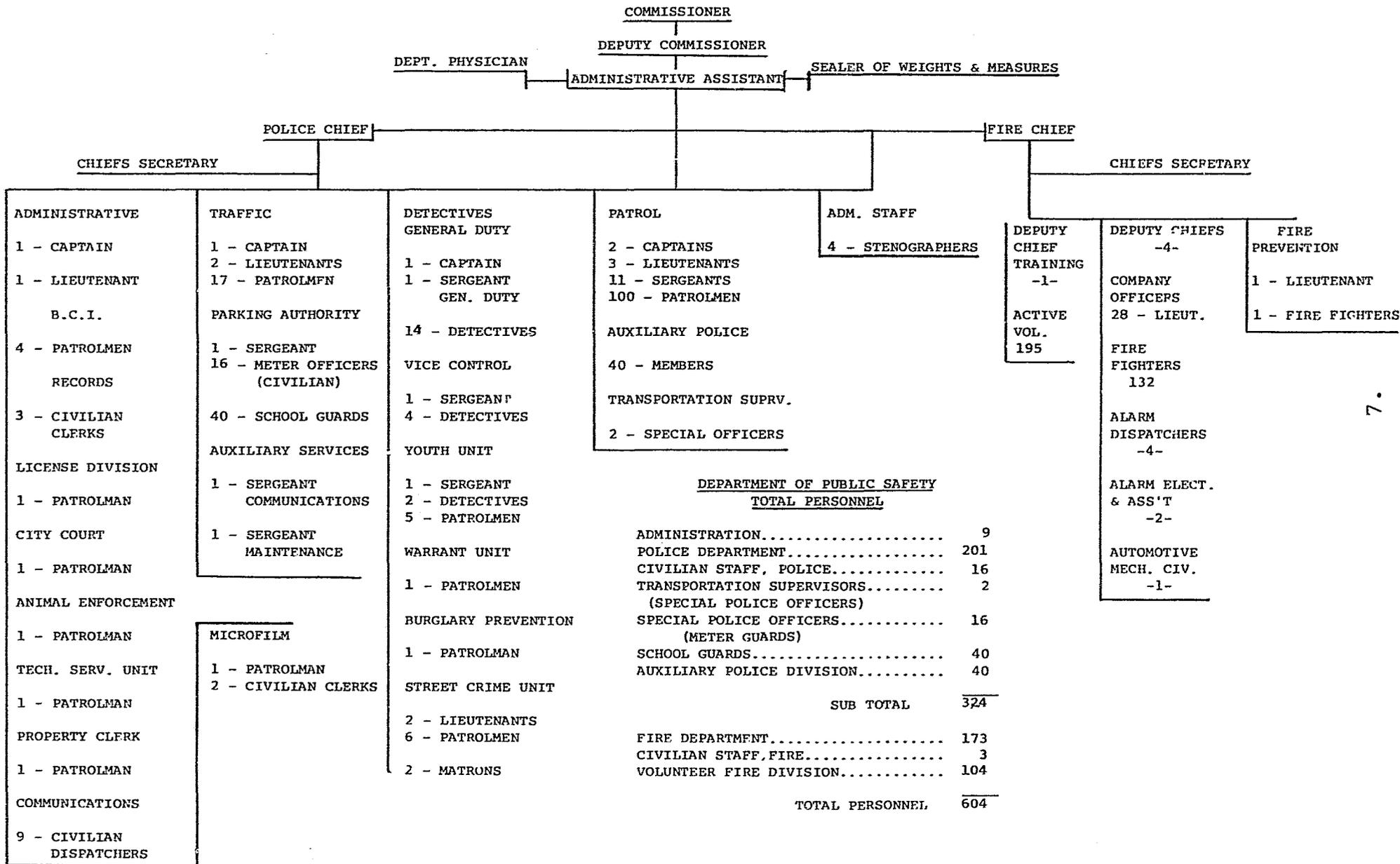
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Bea Tefft, Steno. Sec'y -  
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Dorothy Brennan, Sr. Steno. -  
Margret Miller, Steno. Sec'y -  
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Department of Public Safety

**PUBLIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION**

FEES COLLECTED

July 1, 1977 - June 30, 1978

Cabaret License .....	\$ 700.00
Coin Operated Laundry Establishment .....	150.00
Sound Device Permits .....	95.00
Taxi Driver License .....	3,787.00
Taxicab License .....	3,907.00
Stationary Refrigeration Engineer License Examination .	135.00
Stationary Engineer License .....	1,360.00
Refrigeration Operation License .....	2,490.00
Motion Picture Operator License .....	55.00
Flammable Liquid Installation Permit .....	450.00
Flammable Liquid Storage Permit .....	2,455.00
Blasting Permit .....	180.00
Ammunition Storage .....	20.00
Explosives Storage .....	540.00
Christmas Tree Permits .....	26.00
Police Dept. Reports & Good Conduct Letters, Photographs and miscellaneous .....	8,039.50
Transportation of Explosives .....	200.00
Miscellaneous (includes bicycle licenses) .....	27,320.79
Certificate of Registration-Fire Alarm System .....	125.00
Permit to Install Fire Alarm System .....	80.00
Finishing Shop Permits .....	<u>40.00</u>
TOTAL .....	\$ 52,155.29

**PUBLIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION**



BUREAU OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

Eugene G. Stevens, Sealer

The most frequently asked question of a Weights & Measures Inspector by the consumer is, "Am I being cheated?". In other words, is the scale or gas pump giving honest value for each dollar spent.

Like any mechanical or electronic device, the scale or gas pump will tend to wear and thus, may deviate through time and/or usage. Sometimes this is in favor of the buyer, sometimes in favor of the seller. Frequent

inspections with prompt repair, where a deviation from tolerance exists, assures both buyer and seller of a "square deal" in the marketplace.

During the past year, in order to achieve this end, all commercial scales in the City were inspected at least three times, with scales in the supermarkets inspected on a bimonthly basis. In addition, all heavy duty scales, all pharmaceutical scales, and all personal scales in public and parochial schools were inspected before a license was issued. All City gas pumps were inspected twice. Fuel oil truck meters were inspected with the use of heavy duty County equipment and inspectors.

Inspections of weighing and measuring devices were only a part of the year's activities in the Bureau. Many inspections were made in local food stores and supermarkets. These consisted of monitoring for proper weight, labeling, pricing and dating. During these inspections, strict adherence to the County Consumer Code (one of the Nation's toughest) was enforced.

The Bureau was also responsible for inspections of "Going-Out-Of-Business" and "Rummage" sales, as well as answering any consumer complaints and questions directed to this office.

Department of Public Safety

**PUBLIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION**

BUREAU OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

REPORT OF INSPECTIONS

Scales found correct and sealed .....	648
Scales condemned for repair .....	47
Weights tested and sealed .....	401
Weights condemned .....	1
Gasoline pumps tested and sealed .....	529
Gasoline pumps condemned for repair .....	50
Fuel oil trucks & bulk plant meters tested .....	12
Meters condemned for repair .....	0
Prepackaged food items checked before sale .....	6,483
Packages condemned for incorrect pricing & short weight .	110
Perishable food merchandise inspected .....	10,412
Outdated products removed from sale .....	268
Commodity label sign inspections found correct .....	6,110
Commodity label incorrect and removed from sale .....	72
Inventory inspection (Going-Out-Of-Business, auctions, Rummage Sales, etc.) .....	11
Sale signs and gasoline price signs in violation of City Ordinance removed .....	2
Notice of violations issued .....	9
Complaints investigated .....	14
Advertising Price Checks .....	12

A fat percentage test was conducted in all meat markets to ensure the fat content in hamburger did not exceed State Law.

Department of Public Safety

PUBLIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION



From Left to Right:

Domonick Shiels, William Rice,  
Roland Breault - Chairman &  
Chief William McMahon.

EXAMINING BOARD OF STATIONARY ENGINEERS

The Examining Board of Stationary Engineers has the responsibility of licensing stationary engineers and refrigeration operators, to insure compliance with laws and ordinances governing operation of such equipment.

Stationary Engineers are licensed if found competent by due examination, given by the Chief of the Fire Department, and experienced to take charge of and operate a high-pressure steam generating plant.

Refrigeration Operators are licensed if found competent by due examination, given by Chief of the Fire Department, to take charge of and operate a refrigeration system of over fifty (50) ton capacity.

Examinations for Stationary Engineers and Refrigeration Operators licenses are usually administered once a month.

EXAMINING BOARD OF MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS

The Examining Board of Motion Picture Operators has the responsibility of licensing after an examination of the applicant's practical knowledge of motion picture apparatus, film, booths, equipment and the proper safety precautions to be used therewith, and the laws governing them.

## SPECIAL PROJECTS



### BANK "V" FILE - 10-88 SYSTEM

At left, Commissioner John Dolce addresses representatives from the thirty-eight banks in the City of White Plains, to discuss the increase of false bank alarms. As a result of this meeting, new plans were devised with all bank officials, to institute the 10-88 procedure and "V" file.

Pictured below, Captain Donald Westlake and Civilian Dispatchers discuss the newly formulated "V" file.

After months of preparation, the new "V" file was designed to have emergency information readily available in the event of a bank robbery or hostage situation. This system is now complete and fully operational.

Such information as bank managers, assistant managers, security personnel, special numbers, presidents, alarm companies and cleaning personnel is assembled and ready for instant use. A blueprint locator code enables the Police Department to obtain the blueprints for the building from the Building Department in a minimal amount of time. Also shown is a scale drawing of the banking floor, entrances, exits, roof openings, life support systems, counters, bulletproof glass and other tactical information.



The "V" file completes an all out program to ensure good Police coverage in the event of an incident. Other characteristics of the program include: 10-88 - a system of automatic road blocks, Police response to bank alarms, Police tactics at a bank incident; BUC (back-up car) - containing a specially trained team of men and special equipment needed to contain a situation and a false alarm survey and seminar aimed at reducing false alarms generated by banking personnel.

The International Association of Chiefs of Police has advised the Department that the Bank "V" file and 10-88 system initiated in the City of White Plains will be reported in the "Police Chief" publication in the Fall of this year.

Department of Public Safety

SPECIAL PROJECTS



BURN TREATMENT FACILITY

The creation and development of a highly professional burn treatment facility in Westchester County had been discussed for many years; but like many worthwhile projects, it takes dedicated people and absolute determination to get anything accomplished. Through the interest, hard work and contributions of many individuals and groups, the Westchester County Medical Center in Valhalla will soon provide the only burn unit in the seven county northern metropolitan region. It is presently under construction and will be ready to accept patients in early 1979.

We are proud of all of the members of the City's Fire Department, but two men who deserve special recognition for their contributions towards the realization of a dream for a burn center here in Westchester County are Fire Lieutenant Robert Bogart and Fire Fighter Kevin Koop.

Pictured above, Mayor Alfred Del Vecchio presents Certificates of Appreciation to Lt. Bogart (center) and F.F. Koop (at right).

**SPECIAL PROJECTS**



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:

- Emanuel Belmont, Chief Ct. Clk.
- Nan Winbarg, Asst. Dir. PTSI
- Marnie Feinberg, Dir. PTSI
- Gay Berger, PTSI
- Jay O'Brien, Asst. Dis. Attorney
- Bernadette Kingham, Pres. of Bd.
- John Dolce, Comm. of Pub. Safety

SEATED:

- Santi Carnevali, Adm. City Judge

PRE-TRIAL SERVICES INSTITUTE OF WESTCHESTER, INC.

With the support of the White Plains Police Department and City Court, the Pre-Trial Services Institute of Westchester, Inc. (PTSI), has been engaged in the following procedures:

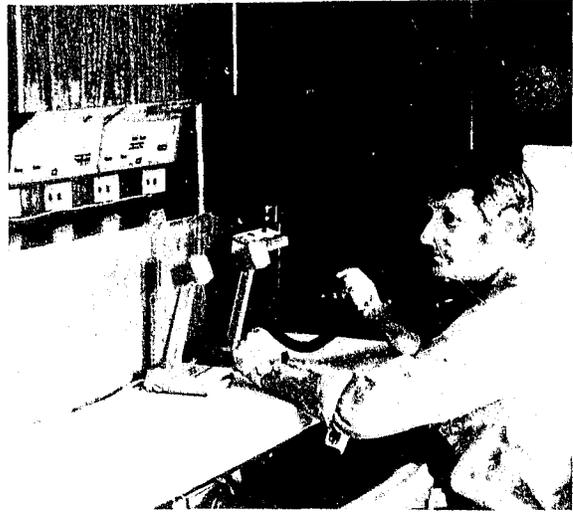
1. Interviewing, verifying information and making bail recommendations in the case of defendants charged with crimes, and who are detained in the White Plains jail.
2. Providing follow-up services for defendants who are recommended for release on recognizance by this agency and released by the Court and/or issued a recognizance Appearance Ticket by the White Plains Police Department. PTSI follow-up services are designed to ensure Court re-appearance, in an effort to reduce the incidence of outstanding Bench Warrants.

PTSI Defendant Appearance Rates

	<u>No.</u>	<u>Perc.</u>
Total Appearances scheduled ....	1,247	-
Total Warrants Issued for		
Failure to Appear.....	9	-
Failure to Appear Rate for		
PTSI clients (Warrants to		
Appearances scheduled) .....	-	< 1%

With the cooperation of the White Plains Police Department and City Court, PTSI has been able to implement a successful and innovative program within the White Plains jurisdiction.

**SPECIAL PROJECTS**



MOBILE COMMAND POST

Pictured above is Sergeant John Batchie and the newly acquired Mobile Command Post vehicle, which was funded by a Federal grant in February of 1977. (Photograph courtesy of the Reporter Dispatch)

This vehicle is equipped with a self-contained 6.5 kilowatt generator, capable of powering the equipment in the vehicle, as well as additional equipment, such as lighting, video tape units, etc.

The van has the ability to transmit signals across different radio frequencies, enabling the White Plains Police Department to communicate with other Law Enforcement agencies in Westchester County at any given time. If needed, the vehicle has provisions for twelve telephone hookups for land line communications, and includes a Fire Department radio, which allows Police to contact fire fighters carrying low-powered walkie-talkies.

In an emergency situation - such as a plane crash, riot, etc., the van diminishes time wasted on communications between White Plains Police personnel and Officers from other local Departments. The roof of the van is reinforced with steel and can be used to set up photographic equipment when needed.

Department of Public Safety

**SPECIAL PROJECTS**



CRIME PREVENTION (BPU)

At left, Police Officer Edmund Kardauskas and Police Officer Robert Weiss are shown at the New York Home Show at the Westchester County Center on 9/30/77, 10/1/77 & 10/2/77.

Other lectures were conducted at the locations listed below, as part of the Police Department's continuing Crime Prevention Program.

Apartment House Security Presentations:

2 N. Broadway - 9/9/77	10 N. Broadway - 9/27/77
16 N. Broadway - 9/16/77	101 Old Mam'k Rd. - 10/18/77
11 Lake Street - 9/20/77	2 Overlook Rd. - 11/10/77

Neighborhood Group Presentations:

13 Romar Ave. - 4/17/78	Library, Westminster Ridge Assoc. - 6/15/78
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Corporate Safety Groups Presentations:

AT&T (2 presentations) - 4/26/78 & 5/18/78  
Macy's Mini-presentations (demonstrations) - 2/27/78 & 3/1/78

Seminar and Lecture Presentations:

West. Comm. College Security Class - 10/10/77  
FBI, Greenburgh P.D. Crime Prevention Seminar - 3/8/78

Tenants' Association Presentations:

3-5 Franklin Ave. Association - 10/19/77

Radio Show Security Discussions:

4/24/78 & 5/7/78 (WFAS, Guest of Greenburgh P.D.)

## SPECIAL PROJECTS

### 1978 BICYCLE SAFETY PROGRAM

Phase #1 - During the month of April 1978, the Police Department Traffic Division, with the approval of the White Plains School District and Recreation Department, in conjunction with the Engineering and Painting Sections of the Planning and Traffic Departments, relocated - repainted and replanned Bike Safety courses at twelve schools and Delfino Park as listed below.

Church Street School  
G. Washington School  
Eastview School  
North Street School  
Rosedale School  
Ridgeway School  
Highlands School

Post Road School  
Battle Hill School  
Mamaroneck Ave. School  
St. John's School  
Our Lady of Sorrows School  
Delfino Park, Lake St.

Phase #2 - This phase was conducted during May and June, in cooperation with the White Plains School District Physical Education Staff and Safety Coordinators of the schools listed above.

This program included a safety lecture at the Bike Safety course, by a uniformed Police Officer. Each student was able to ride his/her own bike around the course for a safety test. Upon completion of the course, each student was given their 1978 Bicycle Driver's license and Registration card. The bikes were stamped and recorded for identification. Safety literature and bike reflectors were given to each student. These were supplied by the A.A.A. of New York. As of this report, 430 bicycles were registered, and additional bicycles will be registered as this program continues into Phase #3.

Phase #3 - This program, in cooperation with the Recreation Department Summer Camp Programs, will allow students, for the first time, the opportunity to take part in the Bike Program at a playground near their home. Students who are not able to take their bikes to school for the regular program conducted there, will now be able to go to the below listed playgrounds and take part in the same program offered at their school.

Highlands School playground  
Post Road School playground  
Delfino Park playground  
Battle Hill School playground  
Church Street School playground

Department of Public Safety

SPECIAL PROJECTS



WESTCHESTER HALF MARATHON

The Westchester Half Marathon is now an annual event in White Plains, attracting several thousand participants. This is another special event that the Police Department handles without incident.

On June 18, 1978, the Marathon run began on Mamaroneck Avenue and continued down Martine Avenue, to the Bronx River Parkway, where it ended at the City of New Rochelle. Captain William Delanoy of the White Plains Police Department Traffic Division was on hand to supervise the ten Police Officers who were assigned to this event.

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## PATROL FORCE



Pictured from left to right are Police Officer Stephen Toth and Police Officer George Curry, assigned to Vertical Patrol.

### PATROL DRIVER/JAILOR

The primary duties of the wagon driver/jailor are two fold. He has the responsibility of maintaining and housing prisoners lodged in the jail and keeping the records of same. He is also charged with the issuing and receiving of the many portable transceiver radios that each and every Officer carries while on duty.

His secondary duties include (but are not limited to) teletype filing, building security and fueling the patrol cars. Trained in all phases of communications, he can fill in for communications personnel. In the event that he has no prisoners and his other duties have been completed, he is assigned to street duty.

### TRANSPORTATION SUPERVISORS

The two "Special Officers" who are assigned to the Railroad Station area, though not Police Officers, are fully trained as such. Their duties are to keep the peace and protect the thousands of commuters who pass through the station daily. They keep the traffic moving freely about the facility and with the current construction at Main and Plaza, they assist the regular Police Officers in traffic control.

### VERTICAL PATROL

Currently there are eight Police Officers and one Sergeant assigned the task of patrolling the City Housing Projects. Aside from patrol duties, they work closely with tenant associations and youth organizations, thus ensuring good law enforcement, as well as community relations.

**PATROL FORCE**

COMMUNICATIONS

After the initial "breaking in" period, the MRD (Mobile Radio District) radio system that was implemented during February 1977, reached full on-line stature this past year. With all minor difficulties ironed out, the system was in operation 100%. Due to the design of this system, better and more accurate information is available to the officers on patrol in the field; and by using the digital reporting features of the system, actual voice communications were reduced by almost 45%. Also, with the capability of three other radio channels, included even on the walkie-talkies, the other divisions of the Department were able to use the system without interfering with the main channel communication from headquarters to the mobile field units.

Since the completion of "up-grading" our teletype equipment by the installation of the ICC 40+ MPL transmitter and receiver, the waiting time for teletype communications for criminal records and information on arrested persons; between our Department, other local police departments, the New York State Police Intelligence Network, National Crime Information Center/FBI in Washington, D.C., and other NYSPIN terminals throughout New York State, has decreased substantially. This "up-grading" allows the receiving machine (printer) to print 240 characters per second. The system also allows for a visual data display for the operators to review their outgoing messages for errors, before putting the messages out over the system - saving time by not having to re-send the entire message.

Below is a brief illustration of the every day use of our teletype system for a three month period, from January to March 1978:

	<u>Jan.</u>	<u>Feb.</u>	<u>Mar.</u>
Vehicles	93	93	0
License Plates	81	4	6
Criminal History Summary	2	8	7
Missing Persons Inquiry	1	1	2
Wanted Persons Inquiry	240	227	227
Article Inquiry	1	4	5
Gun Inquiry	8	12	9

This terminal originated 14,350 messages of all types and received 40,374 messages of all types.

## PATROL FORCE



At left, Foot Patrolman Weldon Cheatham is shown expediting movement of traffic by summoning an illegally parked vehicle.

### FOOT PATROL

Foot Patrol posts are designed to place Police Officers in areas where heavy pedestrian and vehicular traffic is concentrated. The "Cop on the Beat" can be seen in the central business district, as well as on special posts - such as the City's park facilities during the hours of high park usage. The duties of Patrolmen assigned to Foot Patrol are flexible, and current needs are generally the basis for special foot posts.

### RADIO MOTOR PATROL

Police Officers operating Radio Motor Patrol Post vehicles cover about 94% of all calls for service in the City of White Plains. The Officer assigned to the patrol car covers every variety of call, from the noise complaint to a homicide. Six sector cars currently divide the City into patrol areas, with ancillary radios covering those sections that cut across patrol car sectors, thus assuring complete coverage of the City. Driving assignments are based primarily on seniority, assuring that the more experienced Officer handles the most demanding assignment.

The Patrol Force of the Police Department responded to a total of 29,105 radio calls in 1977 - averaging approximately 2,500 calls per month; and were involved in a total of 3,966 aided cases in that same period.

## PATROL FORCE



### HOSTAGE SITUATION

At left, Police Officer Thomas Steel crouches behind Patrol Vehicle #17, as a 21 year old Bronx man holds thirteen hostages inside the Charl-mont restaurant on July 7, 1977. The fifteen minute siege began when a man, armed with a revolver, entered the restaurant, accosted a waitress, herded thirteen people to the front of the establishment and demanded that the Manager empty the cash register. One of the hostages was able to slip out the back entrance and summons a Police Officer, who in turn called for reinforcements. Ten Police Officers, armed with shotguns and bulletproof vests and six patrol cars were assigned to the scene at Mamaroneck Avenue.

Roadblocks were set up, as Police Officers anxiously waited to be sure that the hostages were safe. Five of the Officers stood inside the Charl-mont, trying to talk to the suspect, who had fled to the cellar when Police arrived. Finally, the gunman surrendered; and he was taken to Police Headquarters, where he was booked for first degree robbery. (Photograph courtesy of Reporter Dispatch)

### BLACKOUT - JULY 1977

As darkness enveloped the City of White Plains, Public Safety personnel were called back to duty and held over from earlier shifts, to control traffic through the City and limit criminal actions during the blackout of 1977.

In the Winbrook section of the City, groups of destructive youths took advantage of the outage, by hurling rocks and bottles, smashing windows and looting stores. Helmeted Police Officers were called to the scene, where they met with flying glass and rocks. One block of South Lexington Avenue was closed off, as gangs of youngsters threw anything and everything at passing motorists and Police personnel. Heavy Police patrols were set up throughout the City, and special assignments were made at three stores that had been struck by looters. Special attention was given to protecting gun shops in the City, and members of the Volunteer Fire and Police Divisions were called in to direct traffic.

Department of Public Safety - Bureau of Police

**PATROL FORCE**

CALLS RESPONDED TO BY PATROL FORCE

	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>% Inc./Dec.</u>
AIDED CASES	4,052	3,966	- 2 %
AUTO ACCIDENTS	2,686	2,921	+ 9 %
BICYCLES, Lost, Stolen, Found Recovered	247	266	+ 8 %
BOMB SCARES	41	63	+ 54 %
BURGLAR & HOLD-UP ALARMS	2,458	3,049	+ 24 %
COMPLAINTS, Noise, Youths, Other	3,057	3,026	- 1 %
DISTURBANCES	2,497	2,433	- 3 %
FIRE ALARMS	1,076	1,134	+ 5 %
INTOXICATED PERSONS	383	468	+ 22 %
LICENSE PLATES	214	209	- 2 %
LOST OR FOUND PROPERTY	631	558	- 12 %
NON-EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE	128	167	+ 30 %
OPEN DOORS, Found by Police	474	428	- 10 %
PARKING/TRAFFIC	1,294	1,593	+ 23 %
PROWLER CALLS	97	69	- 29 %
PUBLIC WORKS, Referrals & Emergencies	216	234	+ 8 %
REPORTS OF CRIMES & OFFENSES	5,092	4,784	- 6 %
REPOSSESSED AUTOS	32	45	+ 41 %
STOLEN CAR RECOVERIES	293	210	- 28 %
SUSPICIOUS CARS, PERSONS, OR NOISES	2,355	3,209	+ 36 %
ALL OTHER CALLS	372	273	- 27 %
TOTAL	27,695	29,105	+ 5 %

Department of Public Safety - Bureau of Police

PATROL FORCE

CALLS RESPONDED TO BY PATROL FORCE

	'76	'77	% Increase or Decrease		'76	'77	% Increase or Decrease
<u>LOST AND FOUND</u>				<u>BICYCLES</u>			
Lost property reports	364	339		Stolen or lost	209	227	
Items of found property	267	219		Recovered or found	38	33	
	631	558	- 12 %		247	266	+ 8 %
<u>NON-EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE</u>				<u>BOMB SCARES</u>			
Locked out of home	100	114		Commercial	22	28	
Stuck in elevator	28	53		Homes	2	4	
	128	167	+ 30 %	Schools	10	19	
<u>OPEN DOORS FOUND BY POLICE</u>				<u>BURGLAR ALARMS</u>			
Secured by owner	91	107		Banks	467	495	
Secured by police	383	321		Homes	671	930	
	474	428	- 10 %	Commercial	1,008	1,220	
<u>PARKING/TRAFFIC COMPLAINTS</u>				<u>COMPLAINTS</u>			
Scofflaw vehicles towed	213	296		Noise Complaints	661	751	
Abandoned vehicles towed	90	122		Youths congregating	1,099	1,038	
Cars blocking driveway	140	181		Fireworks Complaints	167	151	
All other parking complaints	234	372		Mini-bike complaints	123	130	
Traffic complaints	617	622		Door-to-Door Salesman	73	46	
	1,294	1,593	+ 23 %	Animals, barking, at large	531	516	
<u>PROWLERS</u>				<u>DISTURBANCES</u>			
No apprehension made	95	65		Family Disputes, no arrest	1,056	877	
Apprehension made	2	4		Family Disputes, arrest	91	54	
	97	69	- 27 %	Landlord-tenant dispute	124	132	
<u>PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS</u>				<u>FIRE ALARMS</u>			
Downed wires	75	64		False alarm, no arrest	228	230	
Water main breaks	30	40		False alarm, arrest made	6	13	
Trees down	44	30		All other fire alarms	842	891	
Flood conditions	19	8			1,076	1,134	+ 5 %
Con Edison matters	42	48		<u>INTOXICATED PERSONS</u>			
Other public works matters	0	44		Reported by the public	316	395	
	216	234	+ 8 %	Reported by police	67	73	
<u>STOLEN CAR RECOVERIES</u>				<u>LICENSE PLATES</u>			
Stolen locally, recovered local	109	77		Reported lost or stolen	189	192	
Stolen elsewhere, recovered WP	66	39		Found or recovered	25	17	
Total recovered locally	175	116			214	209	- 2 %
Stolen locally, recovered elsewhere	118	94		<u>SUSPICIOUS PERSONS</u>			
	293	210	- 28 %	Suspicious cars	285	394	
<u>SUSPICIOUS PERSONS</u>				<u>INTOXICATED PERSONS</u>			
Suspicious persons	891	1,155		Reported by the public	316	395	
Suspicious noises	121	178		Reported by police	67	73	
Suspicious conditions	1,055	1,479			383	468	+ 22 %
All others	3	3		<u>LICENSE PLATES</u>			
	2,355	3,209	+ 36 %	Reported lost or stolen	189	192	
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**PATROL FORCE**

<u>RADIO CALLS BY MONTH OF YEAR</u>	<u>NUMBER OF CALLS</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL CALLS</u>
JANUARY	1,954	6.71 %
FEBRUARY	1,803	6.19
MARCH	2,194	7.54
APRIL	2,378	8.17
MAY	2,412	8.29
JUNE	2,838	9.75
JULY	2,924	10.04
AUGUST	2,615	8.98
SEPTEMBER	2,646	9.09
OCTOBER	2,482	8.53
NOVEMBER	2,389	8.22
DECEMBER	2,470	8.49
TOTAL RADIO CALLS	<u>29,105</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>
<u>RADIO CALLS BY DAY OF WEEK</u>		
MONDAY	4,288	14.73
TUESDAY	4,183	14.37
WEDNESDAY	4,219	14.50
THURSDAY	4,066	13.97
FRIDAY	4,403	15.13
SATURDAY	4,398	15.11
SUNDAY	3,548	12.19
TOTAL RADIO CALLS	<u>29,105</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>
<u>RADIO CALLS BY HOUR OF DAY</u>		
12:00 MN to 12:59 AM	1,216	4.18
1:00 AM to 1:59 AM	1,016	3.49
2:00 AM to 2:59 AM	732	2.52
3:00 AM to 3:59 AM	533	1.83
4:00 AM to 4:59 AM	446	1.53
5:00 AM to 5:59 AM	377	1.30
6:00 AM to 6:59 AM	424	1.46
7:00 AM to 7:59 AM	739	2.54
* Sub-Total *	5,483	18.85
8:00 AM to 8:59 AM	1,139	3.90
9:00 AM to 9:59 AM	1,248	4.29
10:00 AM to 10:59 AM	1,289	4.43
11:00 AM to 11:59 AM	1,469	5.05
12:00 PM to 12:59 PM	1,484	5.10
1:00 PM to 1:59 PM	1,502	5.16
2:00 PM to 2:59 PM	1,589	5.46
3:00 PM to 3:59 PM	1,524	5.24
*Sub-Total *	<u>11,244</u>	<u>38.63</u>
4:00 PM to 4:59 PM	1,798	6.18
5:00 PM to 5:59 PM	1,724	5.92
6:00 PM to 6:59 PM	1,622	5.57
7:00 PM to 7:59 PM	1,508	5.18
8:00 PM to 8:59 PM	1,506	5.17
9:00 PM to 9:59 PM	1,537	5.28
10:00 PM to 10:59 PM	1,410	4.85
11:00 PM to 11:59 PM	1,273	4.37
*Sub-Total *	<u>12,378</u>	<u>42.52</u>
TOTAL ALL RADIO CALLS	29,105	100.00 %

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AIDED CASES

	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>% Increase or Decrease</u>
<u>ALCOHOL RELATED ILLNESSES</u>	131	162	+ 24 %
<u>ANIMAL BITES</u>	165	135	- 18 %
<u>ASSAULTS</u>			
Aggravated - 48 (1976 - 38)			
Non-Aggrav.- 186 (1976 - 212)	250	234	- 6 %
<u>ATTEMPTED SUICIDES</u>	11	21	+ 91 %
<u>DEAD ON ARRIVALS (DOA)</u>			
All Cases	84	85	+ 1 %
<u>ILLNESS</u>			
Cardiac - 241 (1976 - 240)			
Epileptic - 79 (1976 - 69)			
All others - 913 (1976 - 947)	1,256	1,233	- 1 %
<u>INJURIES</u>			
Fall, public - 264 (1976 - 261)			
Fall, private - 243 (1976 - 263)			
All others - 316 (1976 - 415)	939	823	- 12 %
<u>MATERNITY CASES</u>	41	26	- 37 %
<u>MENTALLY DISTURBED PERSONS</u>	118	122	+ 3 %
<u>MISSING PERSONS</u>	289	340	+ 15 %
<u>NARCOTIC-RELATED ILLNESSES</u>	30	49	+ 63 %
<u>POLICE OFFICERS INJURED ON-DUTY</u>	76	50	- 34 %
<u>PRISONERS ILL OR INJURED</u>	108	81	- 25 %
<u>ALL OTHER AIDED CALLS</u>	554	605	- 9 %
<u>TOTAL ALL</u>	<u>4,052</u>	<u>3,966</u>	<u>- 2 %</u>

PATROL FORCE

ARRESTS

ARRESTED AND CHARGED WITH :	AGE OF ARRESTED PERSON									SUB TOTAL
	10 & Und.	11 - 12	13 - 14	15	16	17	18	19'	20	
<u>INDEX CRIMES</u>										
Murder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Rape	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
Robbery	0	0	1	4	1	0	5	3	5	19
AGGRV. Assault	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	3	2	8
Auto Theft	0	0	2	0	6	2	1	3	1	15
Larceny	1	8	35	35	25	32	23	28	15	202
Burglary	0	0	19	7	7	7	4	4	2	50
S. Total	1	9	58	46	40	43	33	42	25	297
<u>OTHER OFFENSES</u>										
Other Assaults	0	1	4	2	4	5	0	3	1	20
Criminal Trespas.	0	0	0	0	6	3	2	0	3	14
Forgery	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	5
Stolen Property	0	2	7	7	4	11	10	2	6	49
Vandalism	2	0	0	0	3	4	2	5	2	21
Weapons	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	2	6
Sex Offenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Violations	0	1	3	3	19	39	37	34	35	171
Gambling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Driving w/intox.	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
Misorderly Conduct	0	0	0	1	3	6	16	12	15	53
All Others	0	0	18	12	9	16	18	11	15	99
For Other Auth.	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	2	4	10
Bench Warrants	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
S. Total	2	4	35	29	50	85	92	71	84	452
TOTAL	3	13	93	75	90	128	125	113	109	749

ARRESTED AND CHARGED WITH :	AGE OF ARRESTED PERSON								SUB TOTAL	TOTAL ALL
	21	22	23/24	25 - 29	30 - 39	40 - 49	50 - 59	60 - up		
<u>INDEX CRIMES</u>										
Murder	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	3	4
Rape	1	0	0	1	3	1	0	0	6	8
Robbery	3	1	4	8	3	0	0	0	19	38
AGGRV. Assault	1	1	1	19	7	4	1	0	24	32
Auto Theft	1	0	1	2	2	2	1	0	9	24
Larceny	20	20	33	58	52	17	12	5	217	419
Burglary	5	3	4	7	6	0	0	0	25	75
S. Total	32	25	43	85	76	24	14	5	303	600
<u>OTHER OFFENSES</u>										
Other Assaults	3	3	7	18	19	4	7	4	65	85
Criminal Trespas.	0	2	3	6	3	3	4	2	23	37
Forgery	0	3	6	8	5	3	0	0	25	30
Stolen property	3	7	4	12	13	0	0	0	39	88
Vandalism	0	4	2	7	5	2	1	1	22	43
Weapons	1	0	1	5	4	2	1	0	14	20
Sex Offenses	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	4	4
Drug Violations	23	28	24	42	16	4	0	0	137	303
Gambling	1	0	1	2	4	12	6	9	35	35
Driving w/intox.	1	2	2	8	14	5	7	3	42	44
Disord. Conduct	14	18	21	66	79	45	34	42	319	372
All Others	14	5	16	37	39	20	13	13	157	256
For Other Auth.	2	2	5	7	12	7	5	7	47	57
Bench Warrants	3	1	2	0	3	0	1	0	10	12
S. Total	65	75	96	218	217	108	79	81	939	1,391
TOTAL	97	100	139	303	292	132	93	86	1,242	1,991

TOTAL ALL AGES . . . . . 1,991

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CRIMES REPORTED TO POLICE

	1976	1977	% Increase or Decrease
Murder	4	3	
Rape	2	7	
Robbery	74	77	
Burglary	612	517	
Aggravated Assault	38	48	
Auto Theft	273	274	
Larceny	2,639	2,427	
* S. Total National Index Crimes	3,642	3,353	- 8 %
Arson	4	2	
Criminal Mischief	35	56	
Dangerous Drugs	63	32	
Dangerous Weapons	7	8	
Forgery	36	41	
Gambling	4	9	
Possession Stolen Property	39	42	
Misc. felonies	1	3	
*S. Total Other Felonies	189	193	+ 2 %
Assault, non-aggravated	212	186	
Criminal Mischief	1,397	1,217	
Criminal Trespass	45	37	
Dangerous Drugs	167	269	
Dangerous Weapons	8	11	
Disorderly Conduct	352	375	
Driving while Intoxicated	30	44	
Escape	3	0	
Fraud	7	9	
Gambling	29	26	
Local Ordinances	13	18	
Loitering	8	3	
Possession burglars tools	1	5	
Possession stolen property	58	40	
Public order, offenses against	12	27	
Public Intoxication	1	2	
Sex offenses	7	12	
Theft of services	18	22	
Vehicle & Traffic Offenses	51	19	
Misc. Misd. & viol.	149	140	
* S. Total Misd. & Viol.	2,568	2,464	- 4 %
	6,399	6,010	- 6 %
1977 NATIONAL INDEX CRIME RATE DECREASE . . . . .			4 %
1977 WHITE PLAINS CRIME RATE DECREASE . . . . .			8 %

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ANALYSIS OF INDEX CRIMES

ASSAULT

TYPE OF ASSAULT	NUMBER OF OCCURRENCES	
	1976	1977
Firearm	3	4
Knife or cutting instrument	15	14
Other dangerous Weapon	11	10
Hands, fists, feet, etc. - aggravated injury	9	20
Other Assaults - simple, not aggravated	212	186
TOTAL	250	234
	1976	1977
Number of cases cleared by arrest or exceptional means . . . . .	194	186
Percentage of cases cleared . . . . .	78 %	79 %

BURGLARY

PLACE OF OCCURRENCE	NUMBER OF OCCURRENCES	
	1976	1977
Residence (Dwelling)		
Night	98	82
Day	181	146
Unknown	116	65
	395	293
Non-residence (Store, Office, etc.)		
Night	135	153
Day	15	10
Unknown	67	61
	217	224
TOTAL	612	513
	1976	1977
Number of cases cleared by arrest or exceptional means . . . . .	147	83
Percentage of cases cleared . . . . .	24 %	16 %

ROBBERY

PLACE OF OCCURRENCE	NUMBER OF OCCURRENCES	
	1976	1977
Highway (Street, alleys, etc.)	41	21
Commercial house	9	15
Gas Station	0	3
Chain Store	3	0
Residence (anywhere on premises)	8	14
Bank	1	2
Miscellaneous	12	22
TOTAL	74	77
	1976	1977
Number of cases cleared by arrest or exceptional means . . . . .	31	23
Percentage of cases cleared . . . . .	42 %	30 %

AUTO THEFT

TYPE OF AUTO THEFT	NUMBER OF OCCURRENCES	
	1976	1977
Autos	265	261
Trucks	2	0
Other Vehicles	6	13
TOTAL	273	274
	1976	1977
Number of cases cleared by arrest or exceptional means . . . . .	27	22
Percentage of cases cleared by arrest . . . . .	10 %	8 %

LARCENY

TYPE OF LARCENY	NUMBER OF OCCURRENCES	
	1976	1977
Pocket-Picking	107	92
Purse-snatch	42	45
Shoplifting	314	275
From Motor Vehicle	1,059	872
Motor vehicle parts & accessories	185	162
Bicycles	171	187
From building	546	542
From coin-operated machine	29	28
All others	186	224
TOTAL	2,639	2,427
	1976	1977
Number of cases cleared by arrest or exceptional means . . . . .	614	398
Percentage of cases cleared . . . . .	23 %	16 %

RAPE

TYPE OF RAPE	NUMBER OF OCCURRENCES	
	1976	1977
Rape by Force	2	7
Attempts to commit forcible rape	0	0
TOTAL	2	7
	1976	1977
Number of cases cleared by arrest or exceptional means . . . . .	2	7
Percentage of cases cleared . . . . .	100 %	100 %

## TRAFFIC DIVISION



### SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS

The School Safety Guards, employed by the City and supervised by the Police Department Traffic Division, can be seen at 40 locations throughout the City, helping to protect the lives of youngsters as they go to and from school each year.

At left, Chief of Police J. Stewart Henry is shown initiating the annual "School's Open - Drive Carefully" program.

### SIGN SHOP

The Police Department Sign Shop is responsible for the fabrication and installation of all street signs, parking restriction signs and directional signs. Other duties include the installation and maintenance of all traffic control devices within the City, as well as the painting of street pavement markings and parking space markings.

### ANIMAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

One member of the Traffic Division is assigned to enforce the various laws and ordinances relating to dogs and other animal problems, on a full time basis. During 1977, 221 summonses were issued for "Dogs at Large". This Office also answers many calls relating to cats, squirrels, bees, racoons, etc.

During the reporting year, a special effort was made in the apartment house areas of the City, to get dog owners to curb their dogs. Fliers quoting excerpts of the Ordinance were distributed and posted in halls and elevators, to increase Public awareness. Also, the presence of the Officer in the early morning hours has helped to ease the problem.

### MOTORIZED PATROL

The motorized traffic units are assigned to the main business district, patrolling major streets and enforcing the many traffic infractions which tend to obstruct the steady flow of traffic through the City. The Unit issues the majority of summonses for double parking, overtime parking, No Parking, etc., as shown in the statistical pages that follow.

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### SPEED ENFORCEMENT

The Officers assigned to Radar enforcement are primarily concerned with speeding and other moving violations, however, they also assist the Patrol Force during special events involving large groups of people. Shown left is the newly acquired Radar gun, which is completely portable and can monitor the speed of a vehicle from any direction. This is contrary to the old method, where the car must pass a thin radar beam to register the rate of speed.

### FIXED POSTS

The duties of the Officers assigned to fixed posts consist of preventing traffic tie-ups at their assigned locations and clearing up any blockages that may develop. These Officers also aid the general Public and merchants in their areas, with any problems that may arise.

The Traffic Division also has one Traffic Enforcement civilian who performs the duties of a School Crossing Guard and Parking Enforcement Officer, and is responsible for issuing a total of 3,697 summonses in 1977.

### MAINTENANCE

The one Sergeant assigned to this Unit as Communications Officer is responsible for performing complete "in house" maintenance and repairs on the Department's communications equipment. In February of 1977, through Federal funding, a complete sophisticated UHF radio system was installed. The system provides all mobile and portable radios with unit to unit communications throughout the entire City. This being accomplished via a satellite receiver-repeater system. Included in the system is Automatic Digital Identification and Mobile Status reporting. The equipment in the system consists of 2 command and control centers, 5 base stations, 6 satellite receivers, a 2 channel microprocessor controller, 2 CRT status display terminals, 37 mobile unit/digital interface combinations, 97 portable radios with digital identification and a 30 channel recorder.

This Unit is also responsible for repairs to Police emergency equipment, inventory of emergency supplies and the mileage recording and service scheduling of 43 Police vehicles.

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PARKING ENFORCEMENT/SCOFFLAW UNIT

The fifteen Parking Guards assigned to this Unit are under the supervision of a Police Sergeant and have the responsibility of enforcing meter parking on the street and in parking garages, and other parking violations within the scope of metered areas. During 1977, this Unit issued 92,054 parking summonses for the following violations (exclusive of parking garages) - an increase of 3,146 summonses from the previous year.

Meter Parking .....	85,142
No Parking Zones .....	3,296
Restricted Parking .....	1,133
Bus and Cab Stands .....	415
Loading Zones .....	1,075
Double Parking .....	263
Fire Hydrants .....	105
Crosswalks .....	201
Sidewalks .....	112
Driveways .....	134
12" Curb .....	134
Parked Headed in Wrong Direction .....	<u>44</u>
Total .....	92,054

The supervising Sergeant of this Unit also follows up on those cases involving flagrant violators, who ignore numerous written warnings about unpaid summonses. If repeated contact with a Scofflaw does not attain results, the violator's car may be towed from the City streets, parking garages and parking lots, to be impounded at Police Headquarters, until the appearance of the owner at City Court to answer the unpaid summonses.

During 1977, three hundred cars were towed and impounded as scofflaw violators. These scofflaw vehicles had a total of 10,078 outstanding parking summonses against them, which resulted in the levying of \$ 70,634 in fines to City Court.

Another sixty-one vehicles were brought to Police Headquarters in lieu of tow, and the owners voluntarily appeared to satisfy the summonses against them.

The supervising Sergeant of this Unit also maintains close liaison with the Summons Bureau Unit for Warrant Scofflaws, to achieve a coordinated effort against such violators; as well as closely monitoring the City Data Processing Unit, charged with keeping up-to-date listings of scofflaws.

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PARKING TICKETS ISSUED

1976 TICKETS ISSUED BY:

1977 TICKETS ISSUED BY:

<u>VIOLATION</u>	<u>POLICE</u>	<u>PARKING AUTH.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>POLICE</u>	<u>PARKING AUTH.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Double Parking	1,031	271	1,302	1,203	308	1,511
Restricted Parking	2,147	760	2,907	2,803	1,325	4,128
Overnight Parking	38,073	0	38,073	41,475	0	41,475
No Parking Zone	10,792	3,049	13,841	9,796	4,040	13,836
Meter Violations	15,709	73,839	89,548	18,478	87,897	106,375
Overtime Parking	15,141	18,834	33,975	15,782	22,918	38,700
Bus or Cab Stand	453	472	925	538	506	1,044
Loading Zone	581	1,107	1,688	645	1,263	1,908
Sidewalk Parking	715	115	830	512	124	636
Blocking Driveway	210	145	355	170	156	326
Blocking Crosswalk	89	238	327	122	250	372
Blocking Hydrant	249	100	349	257	128	385
12 Inches From Curb	109	266	375	93	134	227
Miscell. Violations	2,066	444	2,510	1,786	485	2,271
<b>TOTAL ALL</b>	<u>87,365</u>	<u>99,640</u>	<u>187,005</u>	<u>93,438</u>	<u>119,756</u>	<u>213,194</u>

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PERSONAL TICKETS ISSUED

<u>MOVING VIOLATIONS</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>EQUIPMENT VIOLATIONS</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>
Speeding	229	805	Muffler Violations	27	40
Red Light	787	630	Tire Violations	27	32
U-Turn	464	396	Light Violations	39	46
Full Stop	116	90	Brake Violations	7	1
Improper turns	219	276	Other Equipment	10	9
Pavement markings	58	39			
Fail to comply	2	61	*S. Total	110	128
One-Way Street	67	75			
Fail to Yield	25	33			
School bus Viol.	20	59			
* S. Total	1,987	2,464			

<u>LICENSE/REGISTRATION</u>			<u>CITY ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS</u>		
Driver Lic. Violations	306	329	Dog Violations	156	221
Registration Violations	222	215	Littering Violations	6	4
Inspection Violations	324	223	Taxi Ordinance Viol.	9	21
Lic. Plate Violations	53	41	Noise Ordinance Viol.	5	5
Insurance Violations	191	147	All Other	4	4
* S. Total	1,096	955	*S. Total	180	255

<u>PROCESSED FOR CITY COURT</u>			<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>		
Scofflaw Summonses	229	28	Misc. Parking	32	36
All other summonses issued by City Court	76	111	All Others	36	64
* S. Total	305	139	*S. Total	68	100

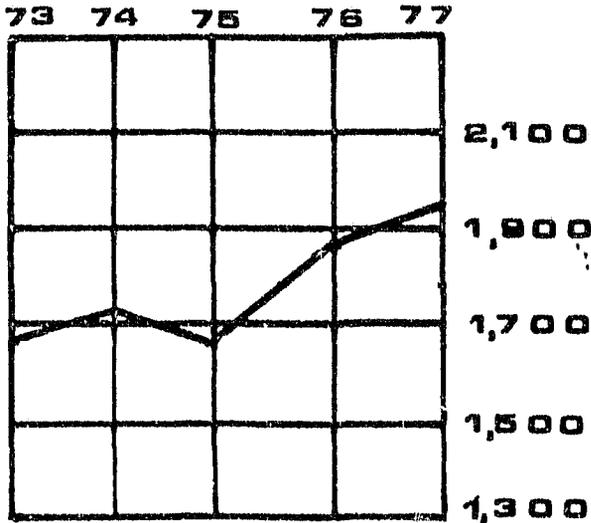
			<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>
TOTAL ALL			3,746	4,041

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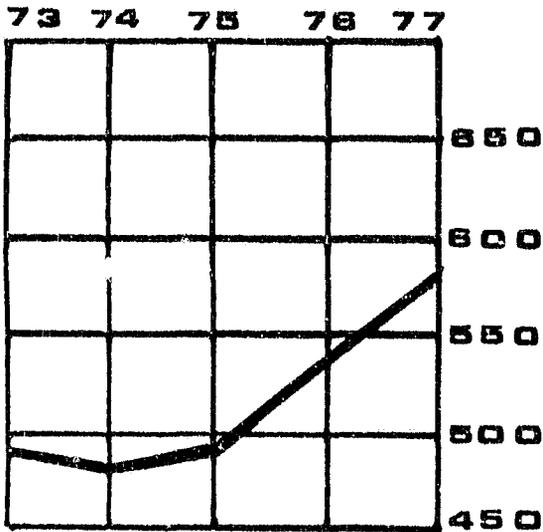
TYPE OF ACCIDENT	1 9 7 7		
	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
Overturned	6	0	5
Other Non-Collision	23	0	9
Pedestrian	91	0	91
MV in Transport	1,439	0	340
Parked Motor Vehicle	218	0	21
Bicyclist	27	0	24
Fixed Object	146	0	64
Other Object	<u>8</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>
<u>TOTALS</u>	1,958	0	556
LIGHT CONDITION	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
Daylight	1,360	0	366
Dawn or dusk	78	0	28
Darkness	512	0	159
Not stated	<u>8</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>TOTALS</u>	1,958	0	556
ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	TOTAL	FATAL	INJURY
Dry	1,415	0	395
Wet	430	0	124
Snowy or icy	97	0	33
Other	12	0	4
Not stated	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>TOTALS</u>	1,958	0	556

TRAFFIC DIVISION



ALL REPORTED AUTO ACCIDENTS

1977 . . . . .	1,958
1976 . . . . .	1,895
1975 . . . . .	1,696
1974 . . . . .	1,708
1973 . . . . .	1,577



AUTO ACCIDENTS WITH INJURIES

1977 - 556 accidents	(0 killed, 757 injured)
1976 - 542 accidents	(3 persons killed, 766 injured)
1975 - 494 accidents	(3 persons killed, 682 injured)
1974 - 475 accidents	(2 persons killed, 647 injured)
1973 - 496 accidents	(9 persons killed, 658 injured)

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**TRAINING**

RECRUIT PROGRAMS	SPONSORED BY	ATTENDEES
Basic Police Course	Mun. Police	6 Probationary Ptls.
<b>IN-SERVICE PROGRAMS</b>		
City Ordinance	W.P. Police	All Members of the Dept.
New Communications Equip.	W.P. Police	Patrol Force
New Walkie-talkies & Penal Law	W.P. Police	Aux. Police Div.
Proper Methods of School Crossing	W.P. Police	School Crossing Guards
Barricaded person, Hostage/Sniper	W.P. Police	Chief & Superior Officers
D.A.'s Arrest Crime Report	W.P. Police	All Members of the Dept.
"Officer Down-Code 3"	W.P. Police	Aux. Police Div.
Penal Law & Burglary	W.P. Police	Aux. Police Div.
Penal Law & Burglary	W.P. Police	18 Patrolmen
Larcenies (Penal Law)	W.P. Police	16 Patrolmen
Firearms training(5 sess.)	W.P. Police	Aux. Police Div.
Firearms & SWAT	W.P. Police	All Members of the Dept.
Safety Driving Tips	W.P. Police	Aux. Police Div.
Traffic Control(use & meaning of signs, etc.)	W.P. Police	All Members of the Dept.
Crime Scenes (How to respond to & protect)	W.P. Police	All Members of the Dept.
Crime Scenes & Accident Reporting (fingerprints, photographing, etc.)	W.P. Police	Detective Div. & Patrol Sergeants
<b>SPECIALIZED PROGRAMS</b>		
Managing Criminal Investigations	Nat'l Institute of Law Enforc. & Crim. Justice	Cpts. Seit, Westlake & Rooks
Instructor Develop. Crisis Intervention	Mun. Police	Sgt. Stead
Emerg. Med. Technician	N.Y. Dept. of Health	Ptl. Behrmann
B.S. Degree in Crim. Justice	Mercy College	Ptl. Bertram
Juvenile Justice	DCJS	Youth Unit Personnel
Repres. for NYSPIN Advisory Committee	N.Y.S. Police	Ptl. Burton
Patrol Management	Univ. Research Corp.	Cpts. Westlake & Rooks

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TRAINING cont'd

SPECIALIZED PROGRAMS	SPONSORED BY	ATTENDEES
Identi-kit Course	Burgen Co. Police & Fire Academy	Det. Div. Supervisors & 4 Detectives
Nat'l Treatments Alternatives to Street Crime Program	Criminal Justice System	Cpts. Seit & Gleason-Lts. Smith, Graham & Sgt. Wheelan
Seminar on Terrorism	Sheriff's Dept.	Cpts. Westlake, Rooks & Seit - Lts. Smith & Graham
Seminar on Dignitary Protection	U.S. Secret Serv.	Lt. Smith
Drug Enforc. School	Drug Enforc. Adm.	Dets. DeFazio & Repp
Recruit Firearms for Instructors	F.B.I.	Ptl. Paterno
Bank Security	Iona College	Cpts. Westlake & Seit
Crime Resistance/Prevention	Greenburgh Police	Ptl. Kardauskas
CPR Training	Red Cross	Lt. Reilly & Ptl. Stipo
Selective Enforc. Course (traffic)	Mun. Police	Ptls. Curtin & Cheatham
Police Supervision	Mun. Police	Sqts. Mitchell & Costello
B.S. Degree	Mercy College	Det. Shamley
Doppler Traffic Radar Instruction	Mun. Police	Ptl. Rutledge
Doppler Traffic Radar Instruction	Mun. Police	Ptl. Taylor
CMI Speed Gun - Radar Training	Mun. Police	Ptls. Ismailoff & Curtin
MPTC Recruit School - Use of Radar	Sheriff's Dept.	Ptls. Ismailoff & Curtin
Certificate of Competency in Doppler Radar Operations	Sheriff's Dept.	Ptls. Ismailoff & Curtin
Doppler Traffic Radar Instruction & Operation	Mun. Police	Lt. Brown & Ptl. Bertram

NOTE: All of the programs listed above and on the preceding page were attended by members of this Department during the period beginning January, 1977, and ending June, 1978.

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PERSONNEL

	<u>TIME LOSS</u>	
	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>
Days lost due to illness or off-duty injuries	1,444	1,499
<u>Avg. Per Employee</u> . . . . .	7.2	7.4
Days lost due to injuries sustained in line of duty	701	266
<u>Avg. Per Employee</u> . . . . .	3.5	1.3
Days lost due to other reasons:		
Misc.	0	63
Death in Family	47	30
Military Duty Obligations	71	49
Personal Leave Days	381	850
Compensatory Time off for Off-duty Court Appearances and State Mandated days off for qualified Veterans	559	642
Sub-Total *	1,058	1,634
<u>Avg. Per Employee</u> . . . . .	5.3	8.2
<u>TOTAL DAYS OFF</u> . . . . .	3,203	3,399
<u>Avg. Per Employee</u> . . . . .	16.0	16.9

## AUXILIARY SERVICES



### MICROFILM

Approximately two years ago, the Police Department instituted a microfilming system to condense and secure all records for future reference. This modern and economical system has enabled the Police Department to keep a complete file of all written reports and photographs previously maintained in file pockets and case folders. The condensation of these files will save storage space, and at the same time, allow for the speedy extraction of information.

Below is a brief chart illustrating the number of records microfilmed during the past year:

Number of Images Photographed .....	300,000
Number of Jackets Filled .....	38,000
Number of Jackets Labeled .....	31,250
Number of Diazos (copies) .....	47,350

After inspection and clearance by inspectors from the New York State Education Department, the following records were destroyed, as shown in the photograph above:

Detective Cases .....	25,330
Daily Duty Rosters from July of 1960 to Dec. of 1975	

### RECORDS AND DATA PROCESS DIVISION

The updated system of data processing that was introduced into the Records Division several years ago, has well advanced and is most successful in the work of coding, computer banking and recording Police service reports and records. The data base of Police activity compiled by this system has been an administrative asset to the Department, in allocating departmental resources and personnel to those sectors where they will be most effective. Members of the Department who are assigned to this section are responsible for maintaining and disseminating all activity, service and departmental records.

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LICENSE DIVISION

The License Division has the responsibility of processing, fingerprinting (when required) and investigating applicants for various permits and licenses required by State Law or local Ordinances. In conducting background checks of applicants, this Unit utilizes the services of our own Bureau of Criminal Identification, in addition to the services of the New York State Division of Criminal Services and the Federal Bureau of Investigation - Identification Division.

Inspections of licensed rooming houses and taxicab fleets are also conducted by members of this Division, to insure compliance with City regulations. Officers assigned to the License Division also conduct the annual bicycle registration and licensing program throughout the City.

The following is a breakdown of activities performed during the reporting year:

License Division

Taxi drivers	585
Taxi drivers (new) attending movie	139
Gun Permits	82
Peddlers	57
Gun Dealer licenses	6
Window Cleaners	50
Miscellaneous	<u>114</u>
TOTAL	933

Other Applications Processed

Taxi owner licenses	126
Bicycle licenses	688
Dog Census	3,541
Motor Vehicle Revocations	137
Voter's Checks	1
School Children Survey Maps	18
Fingerprints (citizenship, naturalization, security, armed forces)	214
Engraving Services	<u>29</u>
TOTAL	4,754

There were twenty-two formal and informal taxi driver hearings held during 1977.

## AUXILIARY SERVICES



### BUREAU OF CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION (BCI)

The Police Officers assigned to the Department's Bureau of Criminal Identification have the responsibility of processing, fingerprinting and photographing all persons arrested for offenses mandated by law to be fingerprinted. As required by Federal and State regulations, they must prepare and maintain all forms used for identification. These technicians are also responsible for the classification, dissemination and retention of fingerprints, records and court dispositions. This section coordinates with the

Detective Division in the evidence processing and photographing of major crime scenes and accidents. Periodically, members of the BCI Unit instruct Detective Division personnel in fingerprinting and use of field fingerprint lifting equipment; and have recently instructed detectives and patrol sergeants in the use of a 35 mm Automatic Rangefinder camera, to be used in crime scene and accident recording in the field. Technical services are also extended to other City agencies, when requested, and fingerprint services are performed for residents of the City of White Plains for licensing, employment, passport, immigration and other official purposes.

In 1977, a total of 1,120 fingerprint cards were transmitted over a Datalog Photofax Fingerprint Facsimile Transmitter (located in the BCI Unit) to the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services in Albany. It is then computer-processed, and a criminal history record is returned to this Department over the teletype system. Above left is Police Officer Robert Kulls, assigned to BCI.

### CITY COURT LIAISON

The Officer assigned to White Plains City Court is the liaison between the Court and the Police Department. It is his duty to follow every criminal case, from its inception to final disposition, and to supply the Police Records Division with that information. The Officer is also responsible for the preparation of the weekly Vehicle and Traffic Court calendar and the accurate maintenance of disposition records for State inspection. His additional duties include maintaining order and decorum while Court is in session and assisting in the transfer of prisoners from the Court holding cell to their appearance before the Judge.

## AUXILIARY SERVICES



### PROPERTY CLERK

The Police Property Clerk Officer is responsible for all incoming property and evidence items, which are recorded, documented, inventoried and categorized into eight classifications, i.e. money, narcotics, etc. Periodically, the one Officer assigned to this Unit eliminates any items that can be legally disposed of, either by adaptation to Police use, or by destruction. To date, 845 handguns and 124 rifles were melted down, and evidence in over 1,020 narcotics cases was incinerated, under the supervision

of the New York State Inspector's Office and the White Plains Police Department. This year, the Property Clerk has been successful in returning over 395 items and over \$ 15,100 in cash to the rightful owner.

Pictured above from left to right are Property Clerk Richard Dunphy, New York State Narcotics Inspectors and Police Officer Robert Zwicker involved in the disposal of narcotics.

### TECHNICAL SERVICES UNIT

Through the continuing efforts of the Technical Services Unit, the Department's in-service training programs have progressed this past year.

Video tapes of specialized subjects were presented to members of the Patrol Force Division of the Police Department by instructors from various units. Using television equipment, the Traffic Division presented lectures on Traffic Control, including the proper use and actual meaning of the many different types of traffic control signs used throughout the City of White Plains. A video tape of how to respond to and how to protect a crime scene was given by the Detective Division to the uniformed men in the field. Also, several "add on" television monitors were acquired for the Unit's studio during the fiscal year.

## DETECTIVE DIVISION



### THE DIVISION

The Detective Division is responsible for investigating all major felony cases; including homicides, robberies, burglaries, rapes, forgeries and many lesser crimes. The men assigned to this Division are also charged with locating missing persons and recovering stolen property. The Division investigated 1991 cases in 1977, as compared to 1850 in 1976.

There are twenty detectives, fourteen plainclothes officers (including two women officers) assigned to six interlocking units that make up the Division's complement of seasoned investigators. Coordinating the efforts of these units with each other, together with the activities of the rest of the Police Department, is the responsibility of the one captain, two lieutenants and two sergeants who supervise detective operations. One civilian typist handles the clerical functions for the entire Division.

### GENERAL DUTY DETECTIVES

The thirteen men assigned to this Unit initiate detective involvement in the vast majority of cases. Crimes handled by the specialized units are referred to them for further action; but most cases are followed to their conclusion by the General Detectives themselves, who are highly experienced in handling a wide variety of criminal investigations.

### STREET CRIME UNIT

The Street Crime Unit, supervised by one lieutenant, consists of six full-time Police Officers (including one Policewoman and one Police Officer on part-time duty). The Unit concentrates its activity mainly in the central business district of the City, remaining flexible as to working hours and assignments, to stay abreast of changing crime patterns. Some of the areas covered by this Unit are thefts from and of automobiles, commercial and residential burglaries, purse snatches and robberies, as well as arson. During the last year, the Unit recorded 287 arrests and recovered \$ 29,734.68 in stolen property.

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VICE CONTROL UNIT

The one sergeant and five detectives assigned to the Vice Control Unit operate as a specialized team to handle investigations of persons involved in violations of the laws related to gambling, drug abuse and illicit sales of liquor. This Unit has implemented the latest Police technology in their continuous efforts to stem the tide of vice within the City of White Plains.

SECURITY INVESTIGATOR

The one Police Officer assigned to this Unit has the responsibility of investigating all applicants for positions in the Department of Public Safety and certain positions in other departments throughout the City of White Plains. This Officer conducts a thorough background investigation of each applicant. The information obtained by the Investigating Officer is held in strict confidence, and is only reviewed by the Department Head who has requested the initiation of the investigation. During 1977, the following security investigations were conducted by this Unit: Department of Public Safety (civilians and Auxiliary Police) - 21; Police Department - 48; Fire Department - 26; and other City employees - 12.

WARRANT UNIT

One Police Officer is assigned to this Unit. It is his duty to administer and maintain warrant files, subpoena files and appearance ticket files. Arrest warrants and Bench warrants issued by the White Plains City Court, New York State Family Court, United States Armed Forces and other local courts outside the City of White Plains are executed by this Unit. The Warrant Officer also works in conjunction with the Pre-Trial Services Institute of Westchester in a follow-up program, which provides assistance in locating and returning fugitives to court.

<u>Warrants</u>	<u>Received 1977</u>	<u>Disposed of 1977</u>
White Plains City Court	498	187
Family Court	178	73
Other Courts	82	24
Armed Forces	12	7
 <u>Subpoenas</u>	 <u>Processed 1977</u>	
Grand Jury	421	
City Court	184	
Other	6	

## DETECTIVE DIVISION

### BURGLARY PREVENTION UNIT (BPU)

The Burglary Prevention Unit helps the Department combat illegal entry, by implementing a wide variety of programs designed to limit criminal opportunity, develop community awareness and citizen cooperation, and enhance Police effectiveness in both apprehension and deterrent patrol efforts. The Unit is headed by Police Officer Edmund G. Kardauskas, who is a certified locksmith, as well as a sworn member of the Department. Officer Kardauskas has been consulted by other police agencies interested in starting or upgrading their own burglary prevention unit. In March of 1978, he assisted the FBI and the Greenburgh Police Department by delivering several hours of instruction on the intricacies of locking devices and sophisticated burglary techniques during a three day seminar at the Ramada Inn in Elmsford, New York.

Services provided by the Unit include lectures relative to the problem of burglary as it exists in White Plains and the most appropriate measures to prevent it. Upon request, on-site surveys of individual premises are available at no cost, and are offered on a routine basis to all burglary victims. Over 280 surveys were conducted during the past fiscal year. In addition, the Unit assists detectives in cases involving safe penetration, lock manipulation, or alarm system bypass attempts. This function, together with a special Public Crime Alert Project conducted by the Unit, helped secure the apprehension of an elusive pick burglar, who victimized local apartment residents in the early Fall of 1977.

Current burglary patterns are analyzed by BPU personnel on a daily basis, and the pertinent and condensed information is distributed to the investigative and patrol force units. Intelligence information from other local and federal agencies is secured and kept on file to provide the Department with a constantly updated information bank on related crimes and current suspects. Unit personnel also meet with representatives of the security hardware and alarm industries to keep up to date on new developments in these fields, to better assist White Plains citizens in making the most economical and cost-effective choice when dealing with their particular security needs.

In summary, the Burglary Prevention Unit employs a systems strategy to increase both active and passive resistance to illegal entry, to effect arrests through specialized investigative assistance and to effectively assist residents and merchants in achieving real security from criminal intrusion.

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Pictured from left to right are Detective Walter Williams, Plainclothes Police Officer Joyce Munera and Plainclothes Police Officer Jimmy Jenter, assigned to the Youth Unit.

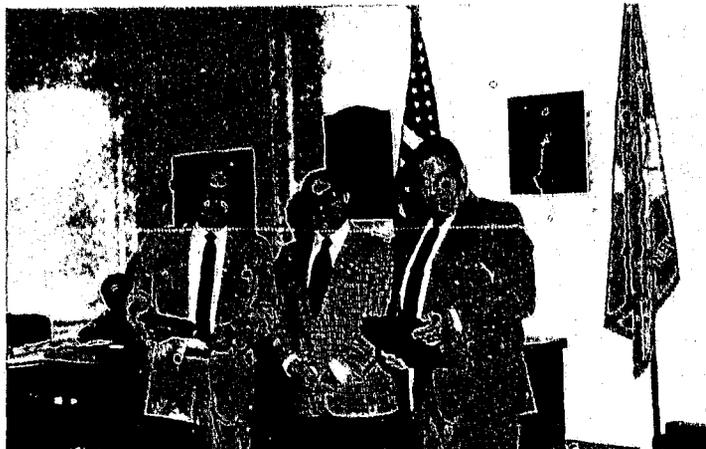
### YOUTH UNIT

The Youth Unit is responsible for the investigation of juvenile crime and the processing and referral of all delinquent youths under the age of sixteen. The recent expansion of the Unit has resulted in an increase in juvenile arrests, reflecting in part, the higher number of juvenile cases that have been solved.

The successful coordination of services - such as the Youth Guidance Program, which is designed to identify, give support to, and provide guidance for pre-delinquent youngsters or youths who have committed minor offenses, together with the increased visibility of Youth Officers throughout the City, has had a marked effect on juvenile crime. The first three quarters of this year indicate a recidivism rate for White Plains youths of 10.3 per cent, as compared to a past average of about 54 per cent.

Throughout the past year, the Youth Unit has continued its commitment to community activities. In addition to lectures and demonstrations delivered to community groups, the Unit conducts a course in Criminal Justice at White Plains High School. It is a survey course, offered as a half-year elective, that attempts to present an overview of the Criminal Justice System that will make the students better-informed citizens. Developed through close cooperation between the Police Department and school officials, this course endeavors to create a positive dialogue between Law enforcement professionals and students. It is planned that in September of 1978, the Youth Unit will assist in the instruction of a similar course presently offered at Educage.

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WHITE PLAINS POLICE BOYS' & GIRLS' CLUBS

For the past eleven years, the White Plains Police Boys' Club has offered a successful means of providing informal contact between the Youth of the community and the Police. Staffed by members of the Police Department Youth Unit and other Officers who volunteer their time, the Boys' Club has developed into an effective program for the building of mutual respect and understanding. In addition to its use of facilities at White Plains High School, the Boys' Club has implemented a gymnasium program at 111 South Kensico Avenue, utilizing its recently purchased athletic mats, boxing equipment and weight-training machine.

During the past year, the Girls' Club has expanded its horizons and goals to include a larger number of girls in a greater array of activities. Through the energetic work of the staff and volunteers of the YWCA, with the close cooperation of Youth Unit Officers, the Girls' Club has moved into new areas of recreational and cultural activities.

The expanded, educational emphasis of the two Clubs was highlighted this year, when on February 10, 1978, a group of sixteen Youths were taken to Rahway State Prison, Rahway, New Jersey, to participate in a delinquency prevention program at that institution.

Pictured above, Mayor Del Vecchio (center) presents the Public Safety Award to Mr. Sandy MacFarlane of the General Foods Corporation (at left in photo) and Mr. Alan Berckmann of the IBM Corporation (at right in photo), for their community service and support of the White Plains Police Boys' and Girls' Clubs for the past eleven consecutive years.

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### UNUSUAL CASES



Each year the Detective Division is assigned to investigate some rather unusual cases, involving detailed questioning and a great deal of "foot work". The following cases are just an example of the thorough investigations handled by the Detective Division, in an attempt to bring each case to a successful conclusion.

At left, Captain Bernhard Seit and Property Clerk Richard Dunphy are shown examining in excess of \$1,500 in cash, which was mysteriously received by Western Union. A woman, known to the Media as the "Cat Woman", had been mailing and hand-delivering large sums of money to Western Union for no apparent reasons. Subsequently, the Police were notified, and the money was turned over to the Detective Division. Detectives have

located the alleged "Cat Woman" and are presently waiting for her to claim the money. (Photograph courtesy of the Reporter Dispatch).

Missing Person: In December of 1978, at 9:45 a.m., an employee of Otis Elevator reported that an air conditioner repairman, who had been working in a building at Glenn Street and was last seen at 11:40 p.m. the night before, said he was going out and would be back shortly. The repairman had left his truck in the parking lot and never returned. Detectives responded to the scene and searched the entire building carefully. The only traces of the missing person were some scattered blood stains, a set of keys, some personal papers and a broken flashlight found in the stairwell of the building. These findings seem to indicate the presence of a struggle and that the subject had met with "foul play". A search of surrounding areas was conducted by the Police Department with negative results and inquiries were made in local hospitals and transportation facilities, to no avail. Relatives of the missing man reported they had no knowledge of his whereabouts. After a thorough and rapid investigation, this case was brought to an end when the subject was located and found to be safe. The subject was interviewed and stated that he was depressed and had wanted to get away from it all.

Homicide: In October of 1977, the Police responded to a call of a woman, who had collapsed and who was not breathing. Her husband stated that she had been drinking and struck her head on the freezer and sink. The woman was brought to White Plains Hospital, where she

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UNUSUAL CASES cont'd

was pronounced "dead on arrival". The Medical Examiner's office reported that the woman had been beaten to death with an instrument that matched a broken broomstick handle, which Police had found in the deceased's apartment. After questioning, it was ascertained that a witness was available, who stated that he had heard what seemed to be a fight coming from the woman's apartment prior to the call to the Police Department. A few days later, the key witness was killed in a fire which destroyed his home. At first the incident was believed to be suspicious, because it seemed an accelerant had been used in the fire. It was up to the Detective Division to investigate the possibility of arson, for the purpose of eliminating the witness. The Department of Laboratories and Research examined the remains of the burned house and reported that the presence of a volatile component, consistent with indications of accelerants was negative, however, the tests did show a combination of wood combustion products and cooking grease. Further investigation revealed that photographs taken subsequent to the homicide, included a can of cooking grease on the stove before the fire. It was also learned that a man who had escaped from the burning building stated that it was possible that he (in an intoxicated condition) could have knocked a can of cooking grease off the stove, while cooking chicken. After examining all evidence and reports available, it was determined that the cause of the fire was accidental and not deliberately set to eliminate the key witness. Under further questioning, the husband of the deceased woman admitted striking the woman repeatedly, because she did not get a job and asked him to hit her. The woman's husband was convicted of Manslaughter II.

Flim Flam: In September of 1977, a woman reported to Police that three men and two women had forced her into a waiting car and instructed her to withdraw a large sum of money from her bank at gunpoint. After two weeks of unyielding investigation, the Detectives became wary of the validity of the woman's claim of being the victim of a robbery and decided to question the victim further. Afterwards, it was ascertained that the woman had been flim flammed out of \$ 10,000 and was ashamed to report it as such to the Police Department, so she claimed she had been robbed. With a new lead as to the type of criminal to look for, the Detectives were able to locate the two women who had taken the victim's life savings and lodge complaints against them. One woman was found leaving the country, and the warrant was executed at Kennedy Airport. The other was located in Montreal, Canada and the warrant was lodged, pending international extradition.

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**DETECTIVE DIVISION**

VALUE OF PROPERTY STOLEN/RECOVERED

<u>TYPE OF PROPERTY</u>	<u>STOLEN</u>	<u>RECOVERED</u>	<u>% RECOVERED</u>
Currency & notes	\$ 118,897.00	\$ 21,410.00	18 %
Jewelry	147,071.00	31,713.00	22 %
Furs & Clothing	55,819.00	22,263.00	40 %
Locally stolen motor vehicles	701,122.00	417,560.00	60 %
Office Equipment	42,040.00	1,005.00	2 %
Televisions, stereos, etc.	149,552.00	11,588.00	8 %
Firearms	557.00	357.00	61 %
Household goods	19,510.00	0.00	0 %
Consumable goods	3,566.00	89.00	3 %
Miscellaneous	227,851.00	11,588.00	5 %
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,465,985.00</b>	<b>\$517,573.00</b>	<b>35 %</b>

FIVE YEAR COMPARISON

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>STOLEN</u>	<u>RECOVERED</u>	<u>% RECOVERED</u>
1973	\$ 937,278.00	\$284,531.00	30 %
1974	\$1,004,108.00	\$377,367.00	37 %
1975	\$1,266,050.00	\$449,503.00	36 %
1976	\$1,428,951.00	\$451,350.00	32 %
1977	\$1,465,985.00	\$517,573.00	35 %

## AUXILIARY POLICE



Under the direct control of the Chief of Police, the Auxiliary Police Division augments and assists regular Police Officers in maintaining the peace of the City of White Plains.

Currently there are 44 members in the Division, 28 of which have attained Special Peace Officer status. With Special Police Officer status conferred upon them, a member has full Police powers while on duty.

The civilian volunteers are commanded by Auxiliary Police Captain Robert Kraus, who in turn works closely with the Police liaison Officer Captain Donald R. Westlake. Pre-assigned posts are covered by two Auxiliary mobile units. Other posts and assignments are based on current needs. Aside from patrol duties, they cover various functions, such as - Halloween, Thanksgiving Day football games, Fourth of July fireworks and special marathons.

Training is carried out not only in the field, but in the classroom as well. Monthly training sessions and Sunday range practice keep the Auxiliary Officer abreast of current laws and Police procedures.

Above, Auxiliary Officers Linda Kramer and Mark Manley are being sworn in as Peace Officers by Deputy Commissioner Carmine Motto, after completing 18 months of training.

AWARDS



From Left to Right:

"MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD" - P.O. ALFRED CUOZZO

"LIFESAVING AWARD" - P.O. TIMOTHY BOWERS

"LIFESAVING MEDAL" - P.O. RICHARD SMITH

"MERITORIOUS DUTY AWARD" - P.O. JOSEPH BORRELLI

"POLICEMAN OF THE YEAR" - SGT. JOHN BATCHIE

"EXCEPTIONAL MERIT AWARD" - P.O. WELDON CHEATHAM

"MERITORIOUS DUTY AWARD" - LT. BRENDAN SMITH (not shown)

"MERITORIOUS DUTY AWARD" - DET. NICHOLAS KRALIK

"MERITORIOUS DUTY AWARD" - DET. AUSTIN AVERY

**PROMOTIONS**



SERGEANT VINCENT J. COSTELLO

Appointed: September 22, 1953

Sergeant: September 26, 1977

SERGEANT RUFUS MITCHELL

Appointed: October 21, 1966

Sergeant: October 11, 1977



RETIREMENTS



SGT. FRANK PALLO



DET. JOHN FRANK



PTL. BERNARD BLEAKLEY



PTL. JOHN SALA



PTL. WILLIAM VIGGERS



PTL. GEORGE GOULART

IN MEMORIAM



WILLIAM J. MURPHY

Appointed: May 1, 1947

Detective: July 1, 1953

Retired: October 1, 1976

Died: April 12, 1978

A lifelong resident of White Plains, Bill joined the White Plains Police Department in 1947 as a Patrolman, and in 1953, was assigned to the Detective Division. He served there until his retirement in October 1976. In 1956, Det. Murphy and another Detective were the recipients of the Macy Police Award after apprehending a suspect, who was subsequently convicted of committing a series of robberies and assaults in White Plains over a three month period.

Bill is survived by his wife, the former Jeanne Feeney, and his daughter Judith. He will be dearly missed by all who knew him.



IN MEMORIAM



DONALD W. BAKER

Appointed: July 11, 1960

Det. Div.: January 5, 1966

Sergeant: March 5, 1973

Died: May 12, 1978

We mourn the loss of Sergeant Donald Baker, who died unexpectedly on May 12, 1978. Don joined the Police Department in July of 1960 and was assigned to the Detective Division on January 5, 1966 - seven years later he was promoted to the rank of Police Sergeant. At the time of his death, he was Sergeant in charge of the Department's Vice Control Unit.

Sergeant Baker attended both Federal and State Narcotic and Gambling schools, qualifying as an expert in the field of Vice Control. He received numerous citations from the Department and from local civic groups, for outstanding Police service.

A lifetime resident of Croton on Hudson, Don attended school in Ossining, New York and was an outstanding hockey player as a youngster. He was an avid boating enthusiast and loved to hunt.

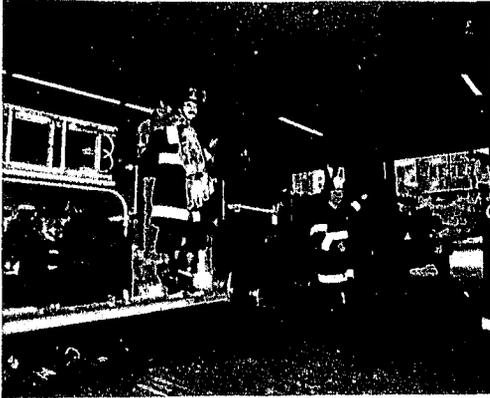
Don is survived by his wife Lois and his five children - David, Danny, Cheryl, Sharon and Donna. He will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

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## BUREAU OF FIRE



From January 1, 1977, to December 31, 1977, the Bureau of Fire responded to a total of 1,815 alarms. This represents an increase of 125 alarms over 1976. This figure includes alarms of fire, false alarms, rescue calls, mutual aid to other local communities, and other emergencies; such as lock outs, stalled elevators, etc.

As a result of fire and smoke, one civilian life was lost at a fire at 19 Harmon Street; and six civilians and eleven fire fighters were injured at other alarms.

Monetary loss due to fire and other fire related causes showed a significant decrease in 1977. The loss for 1976 was \$ 464,000, as compared to \$ 259,385 in 1977. A reduction of almost \$ 205,000. The primary reason for this decrease was due to the fact that in 1976, our total loss included two large fires, having a combined loss of \$ 236,000.

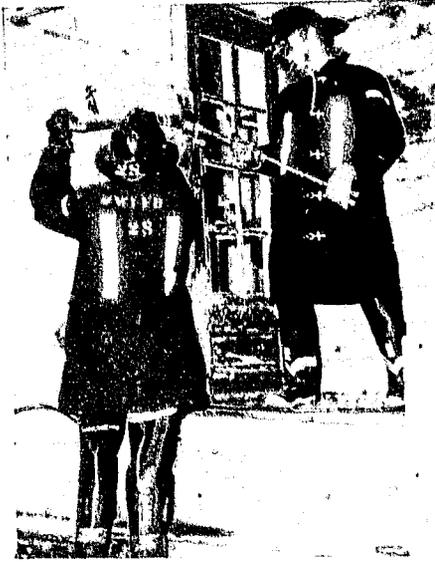
Below is a brief chart showing each company and their emergency responses for 1977:

Engine 1	378
Engine 2	586
Engine 3	502
Engine 4	651
Engine 5	0
Engine 6	986
Engine 7	219
Truck 1	648
Truck 2	485
Truck 3	167
*Emergency Vehicle 2517	455

\*Car 2517 responds to all thruway calls, special assignments and any alarms involving automobiles. Also, because of the inability of the larger equipment to gain entrance to the parking structures, car 2517 is dispatched to all of those alarms.

## BUREAU OF FIRE

### STRUCTURE OF AN ALARM



An alarm is received by our Dispatcher, either by telephone or an automatic fire alarm box. If received by phone, the Dispatcher obtains the location and type of emergency; a fire or smoke in a building requires that a full assignment be dispatched to the location. This usually means three engines and one truck company, and a total of about sixteen men who are assigned to the apparatus. The Deputy Chief in charge of the group on duty also responds with his fire fighter aide. In order for the Dispatcher to send the nearest equipment to the scene, he must check the master street index in his office, which has all the numbers of the buildings on the street, together with the companies that respond to that location. Also, the number of the nearest fire alarm box to the building is noted for transmittal over our telegraph system to all fire houses and the Police Department. The Dispatcher then sends a signal over a public address system in all the fire stations, that indicates an alarm will be broadcast.

Next, the pertinent information is given to all companies, and the Dispatcher transmits the number of the nearest fire alarm box to the stations via our telegraph system. The number of the box is punched out in a series of holes on a paper tape. These are counted to determine the number, and the man on housewatch duty in each station looks up that number on an index card, which not only gives the apparatus to respond on each alarm, but also what companies are to cover the apparatus out on the alarm. This system is a safety set-up, to eliminate the possibility of a company failing to receive an alarm due to mechanical failure of one of the systems. Once the apparatus is on the way, the Dispatcher gives the location again, over our radio, to all equipment. The Deputy Chief acknowledges this to the Dispatcher.

This procedure changes a little, when a person pulls a street box. Again, all stations in the City receive the box number via the telegraph tape and verify the location - then the Dispatcher will broadcast via the radio and continue as before.

Upon reaching the location, the first company will radio the apparent situation to the Dispatcher. Usually, in the case of a fire, the Deputy Chief will notify the Dispatcher the type of emergency at hand. The Deputy Chief will "size up" the scene to determine if additional equipment and/or manpower is necessary; or that some of the equipment on hand can be sent back to quarters. As is the case of a car fire, trash and grass fires where only one company is needed, extra equipment is sent back in-service by radio. The reason for this is to always have available equipment for serious fires. The manpower not needed at a small fire is returned as soon as possible from each alarm.

## BUREAU OF FIRE

### STRUCTURE OF AN ALARM cont'd

Space does not allow us to go into every possible situation that may arise at a fire scene, but the following is a brief example of what could happen in the case of a fire in an apartment building equipped with a standpipe water system. This is an installation with the hose on racks or reels in hallways or stairwells.

Let us assume that we have received the alarm from a neighbor who smells smoke. We are dispatched to the location, and the first engine company to arrive will go to the apartment with the following equipment: a dry chemical fire extinguisher (25 lb. cap.), an axe and another forcible entry tool, plus 100 feet of 1½ inch dacron hose, equipped with nozzle and thread adapter reducer. The second engine company will don Scott Air Paks and proceed to the apartment, and one member will take an additional length of 100 feet of hose for possible extension on the first length. The third engine company will hook the nearest hydrant to their pump, and then hook the pump to the siamese connection of the standpipe system, to provide additional water pressure if needed. If there is a life hazard involved, the truck company will search and ventilate the apartment, using the tools carried with them.

The first engine crew will hook their hose line up to the standpipe system's main valve on the floor below that of the fire and proceed into the apartment after the door has been opened (usually with an axe forced between the door and jamb, or by knocking out the lock with a lock breaker, carried by the truck company officers). They will hold the fire, if possible, until the arrival of the men of the second engine company, who are equipped with air masks. They then will fight the fire until other personnel don masks and assist.

Truck company members, as stated, will search and ventilate as conditions warrant, i.e. within the apartment, or from the apartment above, or by use of ladders. This is all part of the initial "size up" and preplanning of the building from past alarms and/or inspections.

In responding to and fighting fires, some of the items taken into consideration during the "size up" include - Time of Day (at night people would be sleeping in the apartment) - Weather Conditions (hazardous road conditions may hamper response) - Occupancy (both life and dangerous conditions may be encountered, such as in nursing homes, paint stores, etc.).

As indicated above, the Fire Department must at all times be sure that speed and safety are the main considerations in their attempt to protect the citizens of White Plains from the incident of fire.

BUREAU OF FIRE



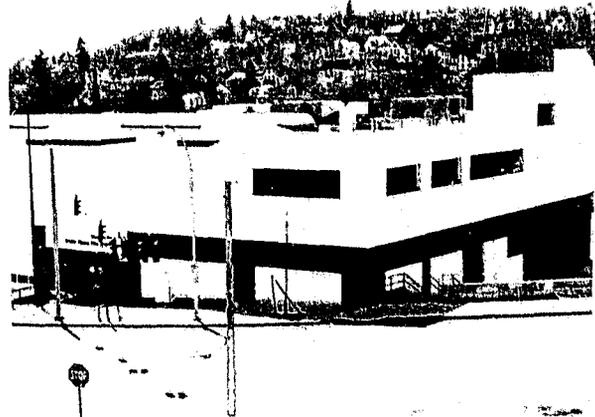
FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:

Lt. Robert Bogart, Pres. Local#274, Fire Chief William McMahon, Union Member Duncan McRae and Union Member Kevin Koop look on as Mayor Alfred Del Vecchio signs a letter of agreement between the City of White Plains and the Professional Fire Fighters Association.

"NEW" FIRE STATION #2

In the Spring of 1978, "New" Fire Station #2 was placed in service at 20 Ferris Avenue.

This completely renovated building, which was formally a bus garage and is pictured at right, will be officially dedicated during the month of September. This Station replaces the former Station #2, located on Hamilton Avenue at the intersection of North Lexington Avenue, which had been the home of Engine #2 and Truck #2 since 1925.



This Fire Station, which boasts the finest facilities and equipment, will also house the offices and workshops of the Department's Fire Alarm system and Apparatus repair.

## PERSONNEL

### PERFORMANCE EXAMINATION

The Civil Service test for appointment to the White Plains Fire Department was revised to include an agility test which carries a 50% score toward a candidate's final grade. This grade is then used to determine a candidate's placement on the eligible list for the position of Fire Fighter.



The test includes seven evolutions, the first two parts of which are rated pass-fail and will not be added to the performance score. A candidate's final score for the performance examination will be calculated by adding up the points he has achieved for each of the five tests. He must achieve a passing score of not less than seventy (70) on the performance examination to continue his eligibility for appointment.



As part of the examination (shown above, right) a candidate must successfully climb an aerial ladder extended seventy (70) feet, at an angle of seventy (70) degrees, and he must remove a twenty-four (24) foot extension ladder from the side of an engine. He must do at least four (4) pull-ups (as shown left) and pull a charged 2½ inch hose one hundred (100) feet, in under sixty (60) seconds - the quicker this is done, the more points the candidate earns. He must scale a six (6) foot wall in under sixty (60) seconds, lift a rolled length of 2½ inch hose up to the top of the drill tower and finally, carry a hundred (100) foot length of 1½ inch hose up the inside stairs of the tower.

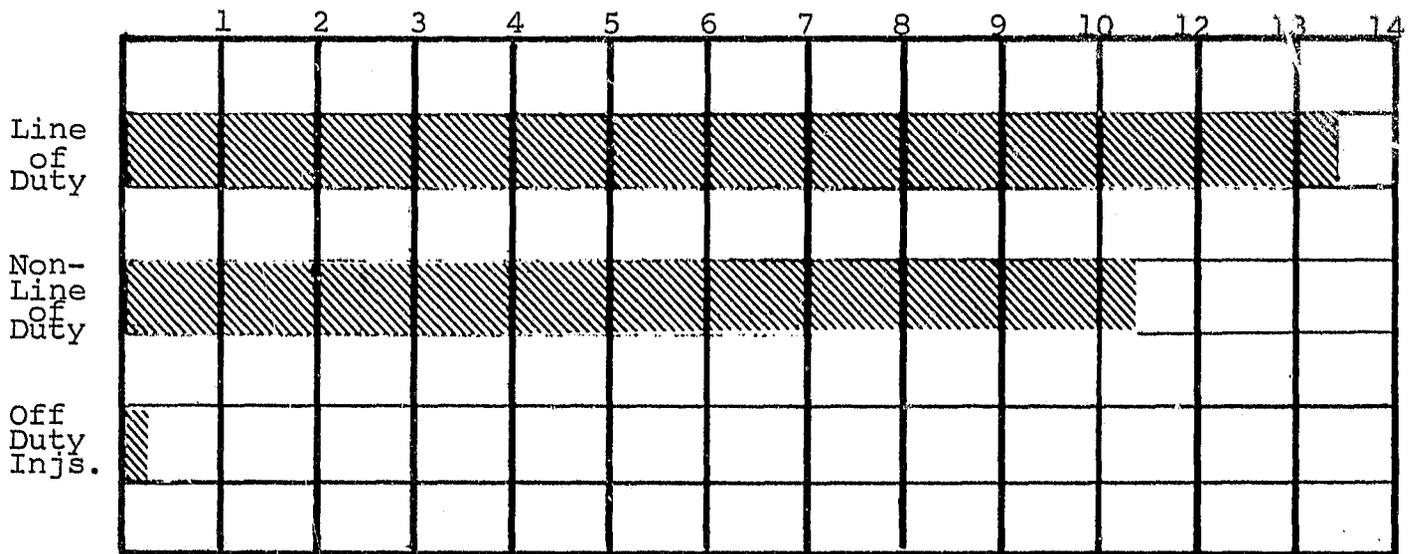
All candidates applying for a position in the White Plains Fire Department must take this agility test, after they have passed the written Civil Service examination for Fire Fighter.

PERSONNEL

TIME LOSS GRAPH

(INJURIES & ILLNESS)

THOUSANDS OF HOURS



NOTE: THE ABOVE GRAPH SHOWS THE TOTAL NUMBER OF HOURS USED FOR SICK LEAVE, INJURIES AND ILLNESS. IT HAS BEEN BROKEN DOWN INTO THREE CATEGORIES TO SHOW THE NON-LINE OF DUTY VERSUS LINE OF DUTY. AS SHOWN, LINE OF DUTY USED 12,458 HOURS; NON-LINE OF DUTY USED 10,571 HOURS AND OFF DUTY INJURIES TOTALLED 106 HOURS, DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 1977.

## TRAINING



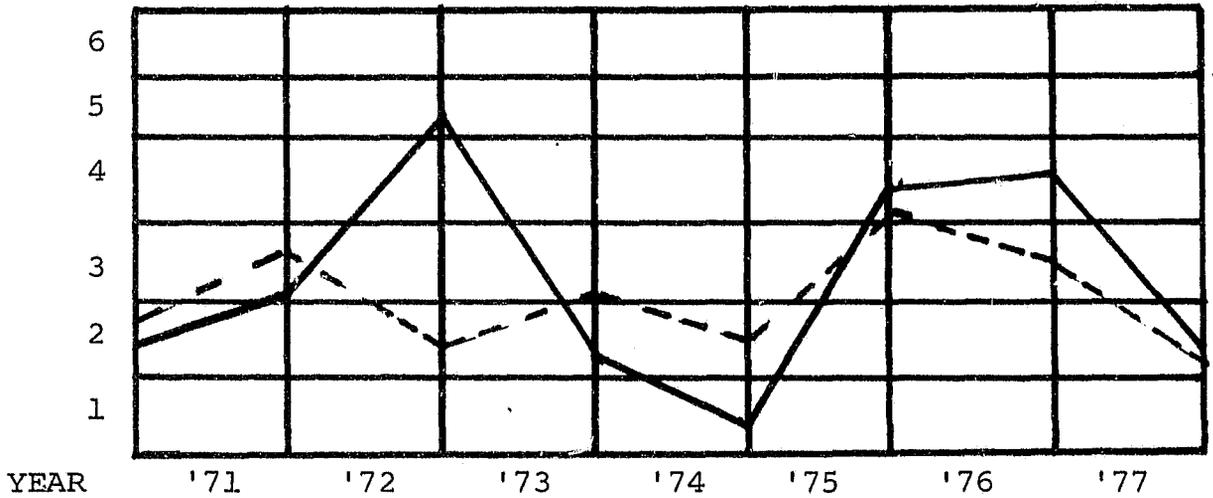
The Professional fire fighters in the City of White Plains received 11,200 man hours of training during 1977.

This year, the State of New York, New York Port Authority, gave an Air Crash Fire and Rescue course at the Greenville, New York Fire District and J. F. Kennedy International Airport. Pictured above from left to right are Fire Fighter Arthur Hickey, Lieutenant Donald Wilhelm, Fire Fighter William Bambace and Lieutenant Robert McClelland. Deputy Chief Adelmo Ciocca and Lieutenant William Citron (not shown in photograph) participated in the classes also. All who attended were awarded certificates for completion of the course.

The International Red Cross, White Plains Chapter, held an Instructor's course on Cardiac Pulmonary Resuscitation, consisting of two days of lessons and practice. Deputy Chief Adelmo Ciocca, Lieutenant William Citron, Lieutenant William Boughton, Lieutenant Thomas Gorbutt, Fire Fighter William Bambace and Fire Fighter Dayton Guinee all attended the course and are now instructors of this lifesaving method, who will pass this instruction on to other members of the Fire Department.

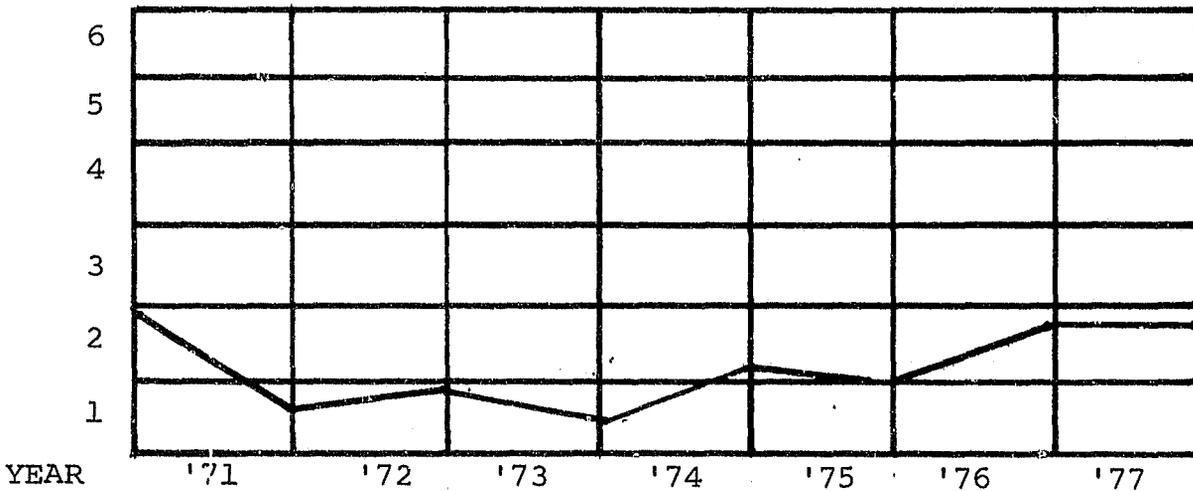
### FIRE ALARM BUREAU

DOLLAR LOSS AND BUILDING FIRES



The solid line is estimated fire losses in one-hundred thousand dollar blocks. The broken line denotes building fires in blocks of one-hundred.

COMPARISON GRAPH OF MALICIOUS FALSE ALARMS ONLY



The solid line denotes malicious false alarms in blocks of one-hundred.

Department of Public Safety - Bureau of Fire

**FIRE ALARM BUREAU**

SUMMARY OF 1977 FIRE RESPONSES

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>
Fires in Buildings	243
Fires in Vehicles	177
Rubbish & Brush	182
Miscellaneous False	286
Mutual Aid	4
All Others *	<u>823</u>
TOTAL	1,815

\* Please note that in the summary, the total of other alarms (823) consists of responses to situations of an emergency nature, such as rescue calls (including those for oxygen), smoke in buildings, oil burner misfires, lockouts, odors of gas, accidents involving vehicles, and any other situation that is deemed of a nature dangerous to public safety.

FIVE YEAR SUMMARY OF BUILDING FIRES

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1974</u>	<u>1973</u>
Apartments	106	147	125	110	115
Dwellings	83	107	148	81	104
Comm. Residential	6	14	3	10	11
Stores & Offices	24	69	68	31	53
Manufacturing	0	1	2	4	1
Schools & Colleges	7	5	7	2	5
Institutions	10	16	24	14	11
Public Assembly	3	5	8	8	4
Storage & Farms	4	4	2	4	4
Misc. Buildings	<u>0</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>
TOTAL	237	382	419	285	330

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**FALSE ALARMS**

1977

TYPE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
STREET BOX *	11	14	16	9	10	21	15	13	11	19	14	6	159
MECHANICAL	3	10	1	8	0	2	6	5	6	1	10	3	55
UNNECESSARY ALARMS	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	4
HUMAN ERROR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRINKLER SURGE	2	6	3	11	5	3	0	1	4	1	2	1	39
TELEPHONE FALSE *	12	11	7	15	9	8	14	7	15	6	4	19	127
MISTAKEN ALARMS	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	2	9
ACCIDENTAL FALSE	1	4	0	5	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	14
WRONG LOCATION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>T O T A L S</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>417</b>

\* DENOTES MALICIOUS FALSE ALARMS

A recap of all false alarms for the past five years is as follows:

MALICIOUS FALSES

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>TOTAL FALSES</u>	<u>STREET BOX</u>	<u>TELEPHONED FALSES</u>	<u>TOTAL MALICIOUS FALSES</u>
1973	221	143	21	164
1974	310	158	47	205
1975	330	128	80	208
1976	407	175	109	284
1977	417	159	127	286

## FIRE PREVENTION



### BUREAU OF FIRE PREVENTION

The extensive activity of the Fire Prevention Bureau over the course of the year, has included such responsibilities as reviewing plans for several new and/or renovated buildings in the City of White Plains, surveying all special residence facilities for smoke and fire detection systems, with the majority of installations having been completed and approved at the time of this writing, and the scheduling of fire drills which are to be witnessed by the Fire Prevention Bureau.

This year, the Bureau has revised several inspection forms to facilitate a better documentation of conditions found during inspections. For each inspection conducted, a master card is set up to keep information on the premises readily available for reference. This card indicates the owners of the buildings, who to call in emergencies, date of inspection, type of violations if any, and, if legal action is taken, the disposition of same. Parties who have not corrected violations in the specified time allowed to comply with Fire Code regulations, have been referred to the Legal Department of the City of White Plains, resulting in fines totalling \$ 800 this year.

Members of this Bureau are also responsible for the enforcement of flammable liquid regulations, tank installations and testing, and the installation of alarm and suppression systems.

Pictured above is Fire Lieutenant John T. Peene and Fire Fighter Shearin O. Higgs.

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FIRE PREVENTION

ACTIVITY FOR 1977

INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS

Alarm Systems .....	27
Bomb Threats .....	49
Cabarets .....	15
Day Care .....	11
Fire Drill .....	130
Flammable Liquid Storage (Packaged Goods) .....	7
Government Buildings .....	5
Hotels & Motels .....	6
Investigation & Complaints .....	374
Fire Prevention Lectures .....	27
Coin Operated .....	3
Legal Preparation & Court Appearances .....	55
Miscellaneous Safety Check .....	2
Multiple Residences .....	97
Multiple Residence calls not accessible .....	142
Nursing Homes .....	6
Public Assembly .....	43
Rooming Houses .....	53
Schools .....	20
Standpipes .....	2
Sprinkler Systems .....	5
Stores & Basements .....	277
Tank Tests .....	47
Tank Investigations for Permit Renewal .....	109
Theaters .....	4
Violations Issued .....	131
Violations Rechecked .....	1,174
Christmas Store Checks .....	<u>183</u>
TOTAL:	3,004

## APPARATUS



### NEW ENGINE #2

A major expenditure of the Public Safety Department this year was a new 1,000 gallon fire pumper (engine). In keeping with the Department's policy of standardization of equipment, Maxim Motor Company of Middleboro, Massachusetts was selected to manufacture this piece of equipment. It is equipped with a Cummins Diesel engine, Hale fire pump (which is capable of discharging 1,000 gallons of water per minute) and an enclosed cab, designed to protect fire fighters as they respond to and return from fire alarms.

This engine, shown above, has been put in service at "new" Fire Station #2 on Ferris Avenue.

## APPARATUS



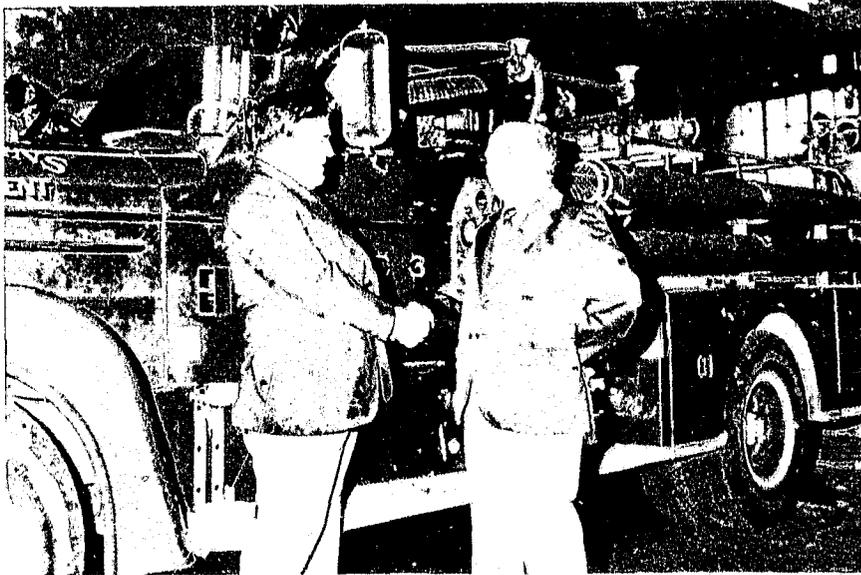
### "JAWS OF LIFE"

The picture at left shows our new Hurst "Jaws of Life" tool in action, cutting the door post of a car with little or no effort. This tool is a vital part of our rescue procedures, and all members of the Department are highly skilled in the proper use of the machine.

Picture two shows a car that had careened out of control and crashed into a store on Mamaroneck Avenue in White Plains. As a result of the accident, both doors had been damaged and would not open - the Hurst "Jaws of Life" tool was the only alternative. The driver had to be removed from the car by cutting the doors of the vehicle away from the body of the car.



## MUTUAL AID



Instituted in 1928, the Mutual Aid Plan is available to any fire district or department (paid and volunteer) by application through the coordinator. The participating departments make their equipment and manpower available to those who call for aid in the event of an emergency that cannot be handled with the local forces and/or equipment. Practically all the municipalities and communities of the County of Westchester now belong to the Mutual Aid Plan. Besides regular meetings, there is a monthly meeting of the Board of Directors to discuss matters relating to the Plan. Over the years, the White Plains Fire Department has responded to an approximate average of three to nine aid calls per annum. This includes actual fire fighting duty and assistance as a stand-by crew.

During the reporting year, the White Plains Fire Department responded to four calls for mutual aid, including a request for assistance from the Yonkers Fire Department, for a general alarm fire at 377 North Broadway, Yonkers, New York, where truck #2 was dispatched to serve as a covering company on May 11, 1978.

Also under the Mutual Aid agreement, Engine #3 of this Department was loaned to the Fairview Fire Department during their recent critical apparatus shortage period. During this period, Engine #3 responded to 112 alarms in the Fairview Fire District. Pictured above is Fairview Fire Chief Robert A. Mauro, returning Engine #3 to White Plains Fire Chief William J. McMahon (at right in photo).

## VOLUNTEER DIVISION



The Volunteer Division of the White Plains Fire Department continued its many activities this year, emphasizing training. At the Annual Inspection Dinner held in October, New York State Firematic Certificates were awarded to: Thomas F. Amedeo, Leonard F. Anfinsen, Charles M. Anson, Joseph J. DePaso, Charles C. Gruetzner, Sylvio R. Lorenzut, Marco A. Rescigno and Dominick P. Shields.

In addition to the above specialized training, regular training drills were scheduled and completed at the Fire Department's training center. One hundred and nine members from the seven Volunteer companies successfully completed this phase of training. 1st Asst. Volunteer Fire Chief Joseph DePaso completed the New York State Firematic Instructor's course at Montour Falls, New York, certifying him as training officer.

The entire membership of the Volunteer Fire Division offers its sincere thanks to 1st Asst. Chief Alfred Olsen, 2nd Asst. Chief William F. Maguire, Secretary and Training Officer Joseph DePaso and Treasurer James Dwyer, Jr., for their leadership during 1977.

Our congratulations and pledge of support are extended to the newly elected officers of the Volunteer Division - 1st Asst. Chief Joseph J. DePaso, 2nd Asst. Chief Charles Anson, Secretary Douglas Robertson and Training Officer Marco Rescigno.

Above, Commissioner John Dolce (left) and First Asst. Chief Alfred Olsen (right) congratulate Volunteer Fire Fighter Walter Koehken, who was the recipient of the Department's "Lifesaving Award".

## SPECIAL PROJECTS



While the Dean Martin "Roast" has little if nothing to worry about, the White Plains Fire Department held their own "Roast" this year, to honor Fire Fighter Sterling Sawler.

On hand to take part in the festivities was none other than that flashy redhead "Wild" Bill Capobianco, dressed in her finest evening wear for this special occasion.

In Picture one, at left, "Big Red" poses at the bar during a

cocktail party. Her warm personality and Phyllis Diller hairdo presented a temptation too strong for Sterling Sawler to resist, so in Picture two, at right, Sawler (portrayed by Fire Fighter Joe Delanoy) approaches "Big Red" in an attempt to converse with the towering beauty. Needless to say, his efforts were fruitless; but a good time was had by all who attended.



AWARDS



"FIREMAN OF THE YEAR"

RETIRED CHIEF JOHN W. WEIR

"LIFESAVING AWARD"

VOL. F.F. WALTER KOEHKEN



From Left to Right:

"MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD"

F.F. WILLIAM BLAINE

F.F. HERBERT LASHER

F.F. ROBERT KEIL

"MERITORIOUS DUTY CITATION"

F.F. BRUCE WADELL



**PROMOTIONS**

MICHAEL F. HENRY

Appointed: Fire Fighter November 4, 1956

Appointed: Fire Alarm Electrician January 24, 1977

WILLIAM E. BOUGHTON

Appointed: Fire Fighter August 1, 1948

Appointed: Fire Lieutenant January 23, 1978

RAYMOND L. ERICKSEN

Appointed: Fire Fighter November 14, 1958

Appointed: Fire Lieutenant September 19, 1977

EUGENE BRENNAN

Appointed: Fire Fighter September 30, 1966

Appointed: Fire Lieutenant August 22, 1977

**RETIREMENTS**

FIRE FIGHTER CHARLES G. BELTON

Appointed: July 12, 1957  
Retired: January 2, 1978

FIRE FIGHTER HUBERT M. ROBINSON

Appointed: December 13, 1957  
Retired: January 4, 1978

FIRE FIGHTER WILLIAM M. CAPOBIANCO

Appointed: December 30, 1956  
Retired: January 5, 1978

FIRE FIGHTER PAUL BRAUN

Appointed: December 1, 1945  
Retired: January 7, 1978

FIRE LIEUTENANT JAMES J. QUINN

Appointed: July 12, 1957  
Retired: January 7, 1978

FIRE FIGHTER FRANK R. FEENEY

Appointed: December 1, 1953  
Retired: August 27, 1977

FIRE LIEUTENANT LEROY C. COMBS

Appointed: March 23, 1956  
Retired: August 9, 1977

FIRE FIGHTER ROBERT L. FARGO

Appointed: January 28, 1957  
Retired: August 5, 1977

FIRE FIGHTER THOMAS J. MEANEY

Appointed: February 1, 1947  
Retired: July 9, 1977

**IN MEMORIAM**



STANLEY M. ACKERT

Appointed: November 5, 1941

Died: June 4, 1978

Fire Fighter Ackert was appointed a member of the White Plains Fire Department on November 5, 1941 and served this Department well, until he passed away on June 4, 1978.

Stanley spent most of the thirty-seven years of his Fire Fighting career at Fire Headquarters and Fire Station number seven, where he excelled in his duties as both an Engineman and Truckman.

He was active in local Fire Department union matters and served as President of the Professional Fire Fighters Association in 1962.

We mourn the loss of Fire Fighter Ackert, who is survived by his wife Margaret, daughter Beverly and son Stanley.

IN MEMORIAM



DAVID W. SHEEHAN

Appointed: February 1, 1947

Lieutenant: April 10, 1964

Died: August 29, 1977

We mourn the loss of Lieutenant David Sheehan, who died unexpectedly on August 29, 1977. Dave joined the Department in February of 1947 and served in the various fire stations in the City as fire fighter. In April of 1964, he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. He attended the New Haven Fire Training School, U.S. Army Bomb Course, Fire Officers seminars, and was a Certified Red Cross Training Instructor. At the time of his death, he was assigned to Fire Station #2.

During his career on the Department, he was called on to perform firefighting duties at many of the City's major fires. At a smokey house fire on April 11, 1968, he rescued a 20 year old youth who was overcome by fumes, from a second floor bedroom. For this heroic act, he became the first fire fighter to receive the Department of Public Safety Medal of Honor. Citations were presented by former Mayor Richard S. Hendey and Former Public Safety Commissioner James J. Dwyer.

A lifelong resident of White Plains, Dave attended local schools and served in the U.S. Army in World War II. He is survived by his wife Victoria and two daughters - Karen Rowell and Roseann Jenksen, both of whom now reside in California with their families.

Dave will be dearly missed by all who knew him.