

## WALPOLE POLICE DEPARTMENT – 2008

The year 2008 was a bittersweet year for the Walpole Police Department, as we lost our Administrative Assistant- Patty Burnham, to retirement after 12 years of service with the Department. Hopefully by Town Meeting we will have a replacement. Patty will surely be missed.

We also lost our longest Part Time employee Detective Sgt. Richard Westney due to medical leave. We would like to thank the Town for their support for the fundraiser held for Sgt. Westney, to help his family during these rough times. The fundraiser was a great success.

Walpole Police had another busy year with approximately 3,500 calls for service, 174 criminal incidents with 145 arrests, which to date is the most on record. We had 1,070 motor vehicle stops, 71 accidents including 1 fatality. We also had 749 field interviews.

I would like to thank Elaine, Teresa, and Audrey for helping out the Walpole Police this year. They were especially helpful with helping our department while we were without an Administrative Assistant, as we tried to save costs in the budget by waiting until after the first of the year to hire a replacement.

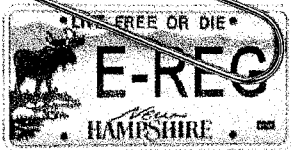
I would like to thank the Select Board for their support, and I would like to thank Selectperson Jamie Teague for her generous donation of the security camera system for our building.

I would also like to thank the residents of the Town of Walpole for their support, and look forward to serving you for another year.

Respectfully submitted,  
David C. Hewes  
Chief of Police

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