



# EDGEWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT

## MISSION STATEMENT

**We are committed to work as a team with other departments, government agencies and our community, to provide innovative, effective and efficient service which will improve the quality of life in the Borough of Edgewood.**

## VALUE STATEMENT

**We are committed to:**

### SERVICE

**We will provide quality service and protection to all people in an efficient, effective and innovative manner.**

### INTEGRITY

**We will uphold the public trust through honest, consistent and forthright interactions with all people, fostering and maintaining the highest ethical standards.**

### RESPECT

**We will treat all persons with courtesy, dignity and respect, while upholding the constitutional rights of all people; we will temper our actions with compassion and understanding.**

# Edgewood Borough POLICE DEPARTMENT

*Chief of Police Robert Payne*



*"A Community With Pride"*

## Chief's Message

On behalf of the staff and employees of the Edgewood Police Department, I am pleased to submit this Annual Report for 2009.

My second year as your Chief of Police has continued to bring me great satisfaction. The citizens and business owners have greeted me with open arms and warm affection. I have met so many great people that live and/or work in our community and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your warm wishes and kind words of support.

My special thanks to Mayor Davin and Borough Council, Borough Manager Warren Cecconi and the other Borough Departments and staff for their support throughout this past year.

2009 brought many changes to the Edgewood Police Department and the men and women of the Department accomplished many of our goals. Our efforts to reduce crime through community awareness programs and crime prevention initiatives have remained a top priority.

The ideas established in our Mission Statement, improving the quality of life in the Borough of Edgewood, and our Values Statement, our commitment to service, integrity and respect, are central to the goals of our Department. These ideals have provided direction through these changing times.

As your police department, we recognize the challenges that we will be confronted with and we pledge to you that we will continue to maintain our "Commitment to Excellence" through the continued dedication of each officer of this Department. Our high standards will continue to be maintained through training and personnel development.

The members of this police department can be proud of their history and accomplishments and can look forward to the changes that 2010 will bring.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief of Police Robert C. Payne



## **Borough Government**

### **MAYOR**

- Jean O. Davin

### **BOROUGH MANAGER**

- Warren Cecconi

### **MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

- Patricia Schaefer
- Jack Bright
- Mal Hellett
- Gregg Bowers
- Audrey Waldock
- Jack Wilson
- Jennifer Gleba





## Edgewood at a Glance

Edgewood is an inner-ring suburb of Pittsburgh with a population of roughly 3,311 people. The community is approximately 1.1 square miles around and has an annual budget of approximately three (3) million dollars. The largest retail space in the community is the Edgewood Towne Centre.

## Departmental Allocation

- Allocated Strength Sworn      13 Officers
- Total Allocated Sworn      13 Officers – 10 Full-Time & 3 Part-Time Officers.
- Current Strength Sworn      12 Officers – 10 Full-Time & 2 Part-Time Officers.

## Officer Injury Time Lost

- 2009 – 96 hours – Two officers were off due to a work related injury.
- 2008 – 264 hours – Two officers were off due to work related injuries.
- 2007 – 0 Hours – No Officers were off due to a work related injury.
- 2006 – 224 hours – **One officer missed 28 days following a motor vehicle accident.**
- 2005 – 0 Hours – No Officers were off due to a work related injury
- 2004 – 0 Hours – No Officers were off due to a work related injury
- 2003 - 224 hours – Three officers were off due to work related injuries.

*Below: The Edgewood Police Department was awarded its fourth straight Platinum Award for outstanding leadership in traffic safety by AAA. Our Agency was one of only two in all of Pennsylvania to receive the highest award for four consecutive years.*



# Police Roster

- **Chief of Police:** Robert Payne
- **Sergeant of Police:** Susan Kaskie
- **Patrol Officers:**

## **Full Time Officers:**

Frederick Livingston  
Michael Libell  
Keith Nugent  
Adam Lawrence  
Brian Wyke  
Michael Ferguson  
Michael Crow  
Eugene Chrise

## **Part-Time Officers:**

Ryan Kempert  
Brian Markus



Police Chief Robert Payne manages the Edgewood Police Department. He is assisted by Sergeant Susan Kaskie. Together, they have more than 50 years of police experience.

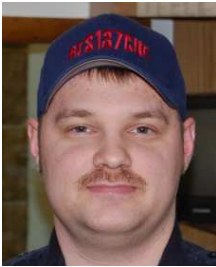
The current population of the Borough is approximately 3,311 and the Police Department's allotted staff is a Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) of approximately 10.5 officers, or one police officer for every 315.3 residents. The primary objective of the Administrative Staff is to direct the Department toward service excellence and for the protection of the citizens of our community.



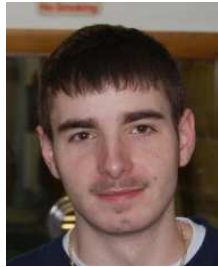
# Support Staff

## Emergency Services Department

Since December 2005, the dispatching of all police and fire calls has been handled by the Allegheny County 911 Center. Today, the recently created Emergency Services Department is staffed by one full-time and three part-time employees. These members are all trained firefighters who can respond in a moments notice to any Fire Department emergency. They also perform many of the daily tasks for the Police Department. The Emergency Services Department is staffed Monday through Friday from 8 am to 12 midnight.



*Mike Artman*



*Joe Paiano*



*Mark Ratajeski*



*Doug Greer*

## Crossing Guards

Edgewood employs the use of school crossing guards during the morning, lunchtime and after school hours at busy locations. The crossing guards maintain the safety of the children on their way to and from school each day and aid pedestrians.



*Edgewood Police School Crossing Guards  
From Left to Right: Judy Mason, Homer  
McCartney, Captain Leigh Sciulli,  
Dave Boslett, Don Csellar*

*Not Pictured: Janet Henle, Hubert Kreutzer & Robert Feustel*

# CALEA



The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, known as (CALEA) was created in 1979 as a credentialing authority through joint efforts of law enforcement's major executive associations to include the International Association of Chiefs of Police and others.

The purpose of CALEA's Accreditation Programs is to improve the delivery of public safety services by maintaining a body of standards developed by public safety practitioners. This accreditation process is a proven modern management model which promotes the efficient use of resources and improves law enforcement service delivery.

Approximately two and half years ago, the Edgewood Police Department decided to undergo the rigorous process of achieving CALEA recognition. I am proud to report that on November 21, 2009 I flew out to Salt Lake City and attended the CALEA conference. At this conference I attended the final hearing and made a presentation to the CALEA Commission on our attempt to reach CALEA recognition. As a result of this presentation and the examination of the hard work all members of this police department put into the required compliance standards, the Edgewood Police Department was awarded it's CALEA Recognition.

We are currently the only municipal police agency in Western Pennsylvania that is a CALEA Recognized law enforcement agency. This is something that the Community, its leaders and this police department can be very proud of.

Chief Robert C. Payne

# Awards Ceremony



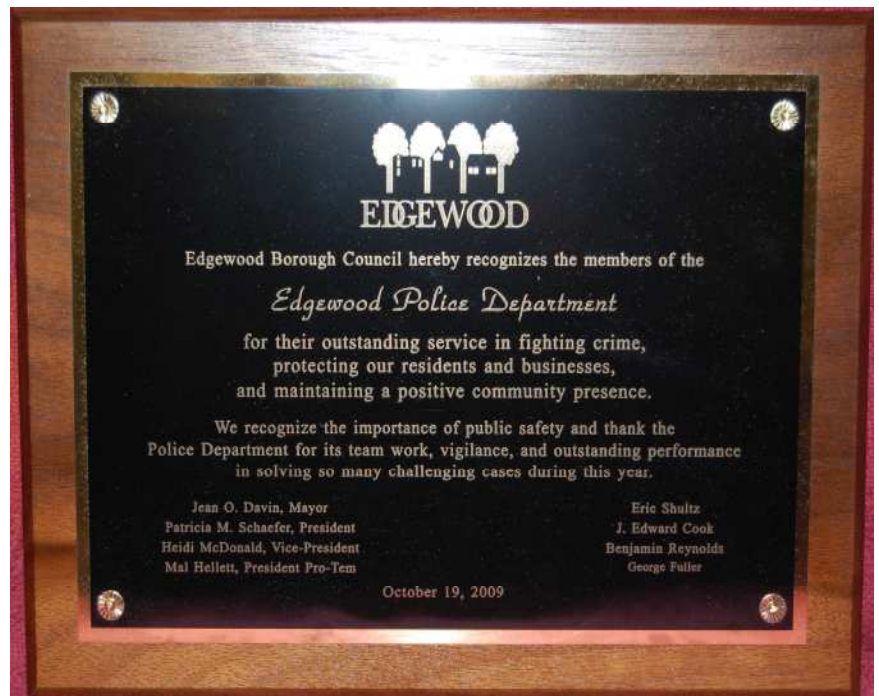
Sgt. Susan Kaskie, Officer Michael Crow and resident Cynthia Boles were award plaques for their life saving use of CPR and the AED on a resident of Edgewood.

*Ms. Boles and Officer Crow are pictured to the left. Not pictured – Sgt. Kaskie*

*Commendation medal awarded to Sgt. Kaskie and Officer Crow - below*



Chief Robert Payne accepted this plaque from Mayor Jean Davin and the Edgewood Borough Council in recognition of the Edgewood Police Departments outstanding work in 2009.





# Light Bar Upgrades



Older halogen light bars were in service since 1999.



The upgrade to the new LED light bars for all Edgewood Police cars was completed in 2009. The LED light bars provide increased safety through increased visibility.

# Crime Prevention Events

Edgewood has two schools in town, the Edgewood Primary School, part of the Woodland Hills School District, which has over 500 students attending grades K-6; and the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf, which serves more than 250 deaf and hearing impaired children from birth through twelfth grade from more than 100 school districts. WPSD is the largest comprehensive center for deaf education in Pennsylvania.

Officers spend time at each institution and provide safety talks to the students. Topics include stranger danger, the proper way to call 911, and general crime prevention strategies.

## School Zone Safety

Officers assist our crossing guards during the school year by monitoring pedestrian and vehicular traffic during the arrival and dismissal of students each day. Officers also monitor the heavily traveled area of the Regent Square business district in the mornings.



# Open House

On Saturday, July 25, 2009, the Police Department hosted the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Public Safety Open House, in conjunction with the National Night-Out Festivities. Highlights included tours of the buildings, crime prevention tips, numerous demonstrations by police officers, members of the Edgewood Fire Department, 911 Dispatch Center, EMT's and paramedics from Eastern Area Pre-Hospital Services (EAPS), Monroeville Canine Officer Paul Bodner and his partner and children's games and raffles. A special appearance by **Pittsburgh Puppet Works** entertained kids and grown ups alike. This event continues to be a community favorite.



# Halloween Parade

2009's Halloween Parade was another success. Edgewood Officers passed out bags of candy and spoke to the children about child safety issues.



# CAR CRUISE

The Edgewood Police Department and Applebee's sponsored its first ever charity car cruise - "THUNDER IN THE BOROUGH". Over 40 owners of classic and collectable cars participated with the proceeds donated to the PITTSBURGH FALLEN HEROES FUND.



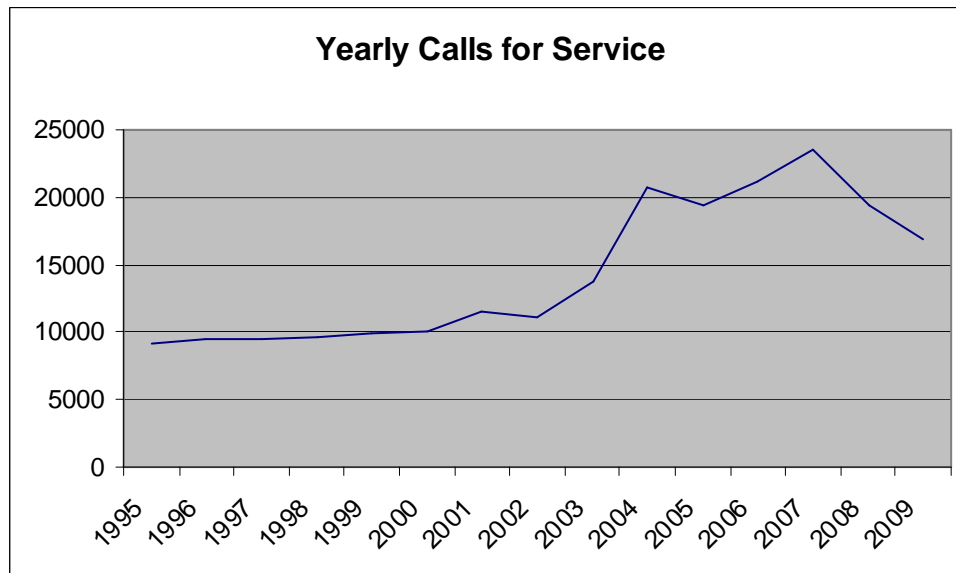
*Pictured above – left to right  
Chief Robert Payne and the event  
organizers - Officers Brian Wyke and  
Gene Chrise*



# Departmental Statistics

## Comparative Crime Statistics 1995 through 2009

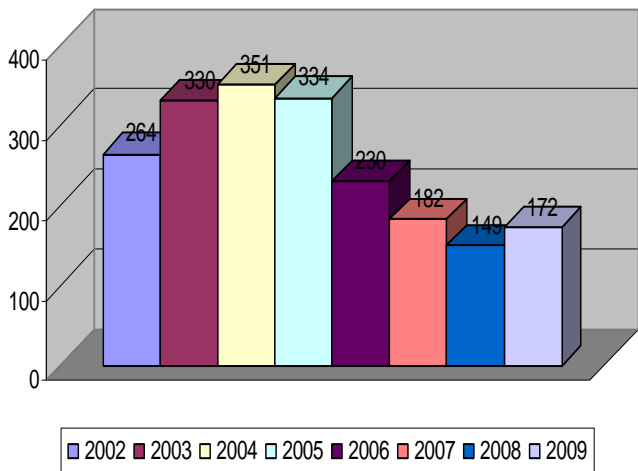
TYPE OF ACTIVITY	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Robberies	2	1	8	4	3	8	1	8	4	9	11	12	5	6	7
Burglaries	9	7	13	16	19	7	15	6	19	14	28	27	16	9	19
Assaults	5	5	15	8	10	13	10	8	16	15	12	15	7	9	11
Retail Theft	106	77	131	108	93	97	89	118	148	136	180	168	175	199	212
Theft-Motor Vehicle	8	7	14	24	32	16	16	10	41	25	18	10	3	7	3
Assists to Other Agencies	63	128	147	153	126	255	327	251	264	249	199	225	201	170	165
Criminal Mischief	54	46	44	69	57	61	56	25	70	48	53	47	31	22	36
Accident Reports	80	82	87	85	97	94	109	78	127	95	117	120	127	107	98
Animal Complaints	72	84	61	39	37	110	75	41	59	62	62	40	54	43	30
Disorderly Conduct	36	37	34	79	45	57	33	30	32	55	82	74	45	32	40
Domestic Disputes	42	33	28	24	25	30	34	29	40	46	45	41	34	36	28
Juvenile Complaints	53	57	64	76	120	94	44	43	55	115	70	70	79	30	26
Traffic Citations	1649	1467	1501	1469	1088	1262	1136	1295	1041	1044	762	1132	1371	1109	688
Arrests	65	61	179	131	124	233	257	270	229	221	194	172	174	184	184
Police Reports Filed	1082	1001	992	1027	1155	1098	1084	2084	2267	2395	2144	3297	3272	2961	2287
<b>Total Calls for Service</b>	<b>9213</b>	<b>9537</b>	<b>9402</b>	<b>9655</b>	<b>9887</b>	<b>10052</b>	<b>11571</b>	<b>11082</b>	<b>13792</b>	<b>20780</b>	<b>19386</b>	<b>21086</b>	<b>23559</b>	<b>19430</b>	<b>16929</b>



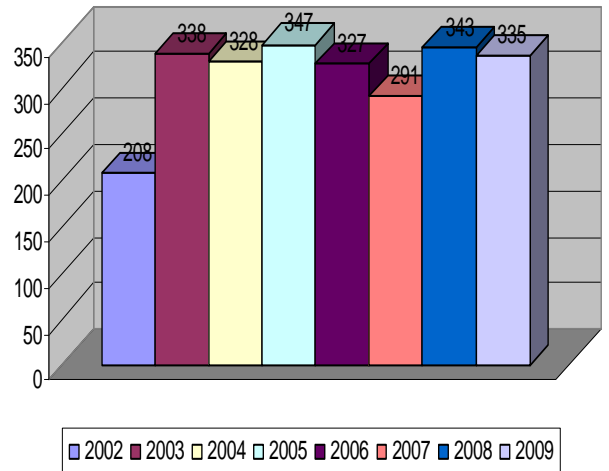
### Federal Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Statistical Analysis

OFFENSE	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
<b>PART I CRIMES</b>								
HOMICIDE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RAPE	0	0	1	0	2	1	1	0
ROBBERY	8	4	9	11	12	5	6	7
AGG. ASSAULT	3	11	7	5	10	6	7	11
BURGLARY	6	19	14	28	27	16	9	19
LARCENY/THEFT								
SHOPLIFTING	118	148	136	180	168	175	199	212
ALL OTHER TYPES	63	114	135	105	97	85	114	83
VEHICLE THEFTS	10	41	25	18	10	3	7	3
ARSON	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL PART I</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>338</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>335</b>
<b>PART II CRIMES</b>								
OTHER ASSAULTS	5	5	8	7	5	1	2	0
VANDALISM	25	70	48	53	47	31	22	36
WEAPONS OFFENSES	1	10	4	9	2	5	4	2
SEX OFFENSES	2	1	3	1	1	1	1	3
DRUG OFFENSES	21	17	25	27	18	11	11	13
DUI	9	19	10	15	15	24	42	30
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	30	32	55	82	74	45	32	40
ALL OTHER	171	176	198	140	68	64	35	48
<b>TOTAL PART II</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>172</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL (PI &amp; PII)</b>	<b>472</b>	<b>668</b>	<b>679</b>	<b>681</b>	<b>557</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>492</b>	<b>507</b>

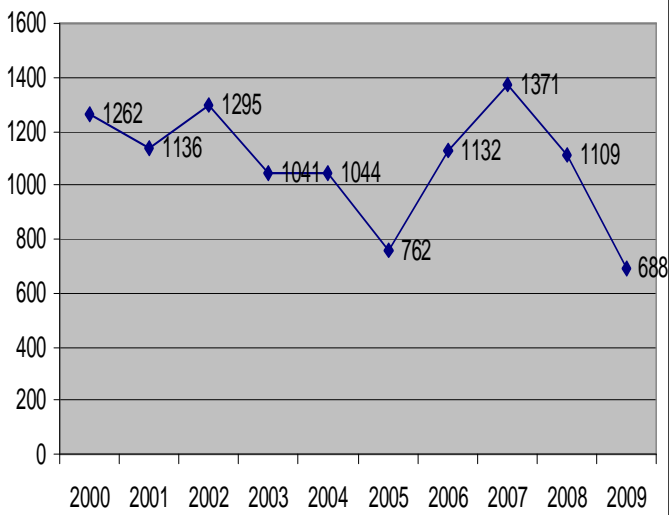
### Part II Crimes



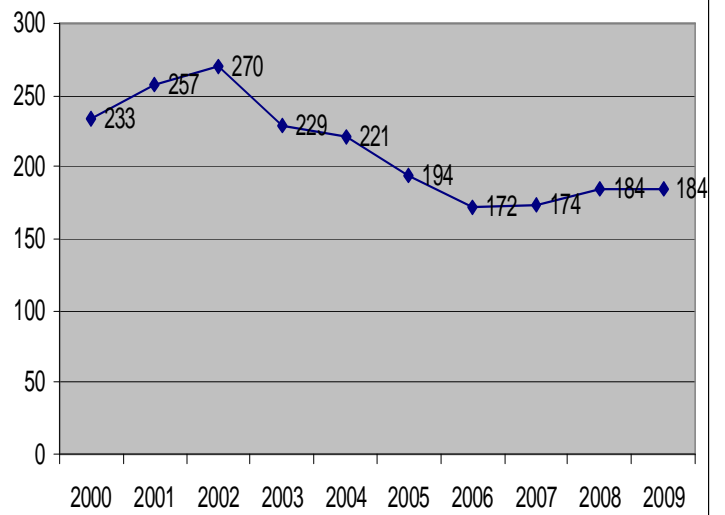
### Part I Crimes



### Traffic Citations



### Arrests





### Missing and Exploited Children Training Seminar

The Edgewood Police hosted a one day training seminar on investigating missing and exploited children. This class was sponsored by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and was held on January 13th in the Edgewood Towne Centre. More than 75 police officers from various agencies attended the training seminar, including several Edgewood Officers

### Training Information:

<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Officer(s) Attending</b>	<b>Course Hours</b>	<b>Total Hours</b>
Legal Updates	All Officers	16	<b>192</b>
Firearms Qualification / Night Shoot	All Officers	4	<b>48</b>
CPR / First Aid	All Officers	2	<b>24</b>
TASER Re-Certification / OC / Handcuffing and Defensive Tactics	All Officers	8	<b>96</b>
HAZMAT	All Officers	4	<b>48</b>
Verbal Judo	All Officers	4	<b>48</b>
FBI Instructor Development	Officer Nugent	40	<b>40</b>
JNET Re-Certification	Officer Nugent	8	<b>8</b>
Standard Field Sobriety Update	Officer Nugent	4	<b>4</b>
GLOCK Armorers School	Officers Crow and Nugent	8	<b>16</b>
OCAT - OC Pepper Spray Instructor Re-Certification	Officer Crow	4	<b>4</b>
Drug Related Traffic Stop Intervention	Sgt. Kaskie	4	<b>4</b>

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>532</b>
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*\*2008 Training Hours – 330*

*\*2007 Training Hours – 723*

*\*2006 Training Hours – 364*

*\*2005 Training Hours – 590*

*\*2004 Training Hours – 780*

*\*2003 Training Hours - 672*