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TO: Honorable Mayor Mancino
Members of the Village Board

DATE: January 4, 2012

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Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Chief's Report – January 2012 Village Board Meeting

I would like to take the opportunity to provide you with a brief summary of the Police Department's activities during 2011. In 2011, your Police Department handled approximately 22,591 incidents. This represents a slight decrease over the 24,035 incidents handled in 2010. Here is a summary of some of the types of incidents that were handled:

INCIDENT DESCRIPTION	2009	2010	2011	% CHANGE FROM 2010-2011
ALARMS	312	288	297	3.13%
ANIMAL COMPLAINTS	121	127	101	-20.47%
ASSIST FIRE DEPARTMENT	298	315	222	-29.52%
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY	114	91	106	16.48%
BUILDING CHECKS	2,880	3,953	3,358	-15.05%
BURGLARIES	5	3	4	33.33%
CRIMINAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	52	35	24	-31.43%
DOMESTIC DISTURBANCES	70	60	54	-10.00%
D.U.I. ARRESTS	51	23	28	21.74%
HOMICIDES	0	0	0	0.00%
HOUSE WATCHES & EXTRA PATROL (RESIDENTIAL)	4,222	5,459	4,652	-14.78%
MOTORIST ASSISTS	180	170	155	-8.82%
NOISE COMPLAINTS	34	34	32	-5.88%
OPEN DOOR/WINDOWS	83	58	55	-5.17%
SAFETY SEAT INSPECTIONS	41	32	20	-37.50%
SELECTIVE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM (STEP)	1,857	2,127	2,269	6.68%
SUSPICIOUS AUTO/CIRCUMSTANCES/PERSONS	221	222	223	0.45%
THEFTS	20	29	24	-17.24%
TRAFFIC CITATIONS ISSUED	2,386	2,170	2,009	-7.42%

TRAFFIC CRASHES	163	131	128	-2.29%
TRAFFIC STOPS	2,868	2,377	2,093	-11.95%
VEHICLE LOCKOUTS	68	65	62	-4.62%
VILLAGE CODE VIOLATION CITATIONS	871	680	638	-6.18%

- Current staffing of the Police Department is 9 full time sworn police officers, one civilian administrative assistant/records supervisor, and 4 part-time officers for a total of 13 employees. No full time sworn officers resigned or were terminated in 2011.

- Department members logged a combined total of 370 hours of training relevant to their respective positions which included their annual firearms training and maintenance of required certifications.

- The police officers labor union and the village settled a new three year agreement without legal action. There weren't any labor union grievances filed in 2011.

- The 7th annual bicycle rodeo took place on Saturday, May 28th at Community Park. The event was a huge success! A total of 224 kids registered and went through the course. We gave away over 200 new bicycle helmets, 225 tee-shirts, nearly 300 hot dogs and over 200 ice cream cups. We gave away two brand new bicycles, both won by Hawthorn Woods residents. Many people stayed for most of the event, played in the park and enjoyed the music. A good time was had by all!

  We received cash donations from A-Express, Barn Nursery, Burke Engineering, Cornerstone Bank, HWCC, HW Family Dental and Sunrise Tree Service totaling $1,250.00. We also received 8 cases of bottled water from Inland Bank and 5 bags of ice from Gilmer Shell. M&M Cyclery of Mundelein sells us the two bicycles we give away at their cost for a considerable savings. With the offsetting donations, the bicycle rodeo finished under budget.

- Officers attended and participated in many community events throughout the year including the 4th of July celebration and parade, Fall Family Fun Fest, 5K and ½ marathon races, concerts in the park, block parties, rides to school with a police officer, and the HWWC Easter egg hunt and Halloween party.

- One squad car was replaced in 2011.

- The Adopt-A-Cop Program continues to be a success at both St. Matthew's and Spencer Loomis schools. Full school lockdown drills took place at both schools.

- The Ela Coalition Against Youth Substance Abuse held a successful Town Hall Meeting on March 2nd. The event was attended by 70 people and produced valuable discussions on the Coalition's survey on youth alcohol and drug use results.

- A test of the emergency telephone notification system took place on March 14th. The message was received by 2,558 people including residents, employees and CERT members.

- The Police Department continued the successful prescription pill disposal program. An estimated 60 pounds of medication have been collected to date.

- The annual CERT pancake breakfast was held at the Long Grove Fire Station on Saturday, April 16th and was a huge success. The CERT participated in all of our community events and provided valuable emergency traffic control assistance on several occasions.

- Officer Tina Cora applied for and was accepted to serve as an investigator on the Lake County Major Crimes Task Force. She has assisted on several callouts throughout the county.

- We experienced a safe year overall and hope to continue to provide the same level of excellent professional service that our community has come to expect.