



# Dispatch Times

## Carolyn Hunter Retires With Over 32 Years of Service

By Melissa Bour

On January 17th I had the pleasure of reading Carolyn's retirement proclamation from the Warren County Board of Commissioners. Carolyn worked for our department from January 1988 until April of 2008 where she then was hired as an Administrative Assistant for Hamilton Township Police Department. Carolyn plans to spend more time with her family, traveling with her husband



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### Mark Your Calendar!

February 2nd  
Groundhog's Day

February 14th  
Valentine's Day

February 14th  
La Comedia Valentines Day Package,  
Van-Dells Concert

February 19th  
Presidents' Day

## Emergency Services Passes LEADS Audit

Supervisor, Chris Dill, our LEADS TAC did a great job preparing us for our audit. It's always nice to hear from the auditors how much they enjoy coming to our agency! We are always prepared and even more importantly they were on their way back to Columbus by lunch time.



# Employee Spotlight

## Employee of the Month



**Samantha Hall**  
Employed since 1998

## Birthdays

**Tramel Waddell**  
February 12th

**Andrew Jackson**  
February 17th

**Ashlee Rector**  
February 17th

**Brad Edrington**  
February 18th

**Samantha Hall**  
February 23rd

**Lesli Holt**  
February 28th

## Milestones

**Bob Anson—27th**  
23 years

**Dennis Rutter—28th**  
18 years

**Chris Carr—28th**  
18 years



## In the Limelight: ECO Joey Bishop

When Joey Bishop started at the Communications Center in January 1999, dispatch was not only in the basement of the Common Pleas Court but it had just moved into the renovated EOC. During his time here he has been a Certified Training Officer since 2001. He worked with Paul Bernard on the CAD as a System Analyst for 5 years and was a Communications Supervisor for 3 years.

Asked about his most memorable call over the past 19 years, Joey recalls a 911 call that he answered in September 2000 from a young girl who came home from school and found both of her parents dead in an apparent murder-suicide. "The biggest challenge," Joey remembered, "was trying to keep her out of that room to preserve the scene!"

Joey graduated from Little Miami H.S. and has attended U.C. and Ashworth College in Atlanta where he is majoring in Travel and Tourism. Joey served as a Firefighter/Medic for various departments including Salem/Morrow, Turtlecreek Twp. and JEMS.

Joey goes on a cruise every year—St. Martin, Aruba, St. Kitts—anywhere that's warm! He has no desire to take the Alaskan cruise! He also enjoys movies and computer games.





# Did You Know?

## January Communication's Center Training

This past month there was a lot of training taking place at the Communications Center! All of the new hires took their EMD and EFD classes, passed their exams and became certified in Emergency Medical and Emergency Fire Dispatch.

In addition to our new hires there were attendees from Cincinnati Emergency Communications, Butler County, Centerville PD, Middletown PD and Dearborn County Communications. At the end of the month, all ECOs/ECCs and ECSs were certified/re-certified in CPR.



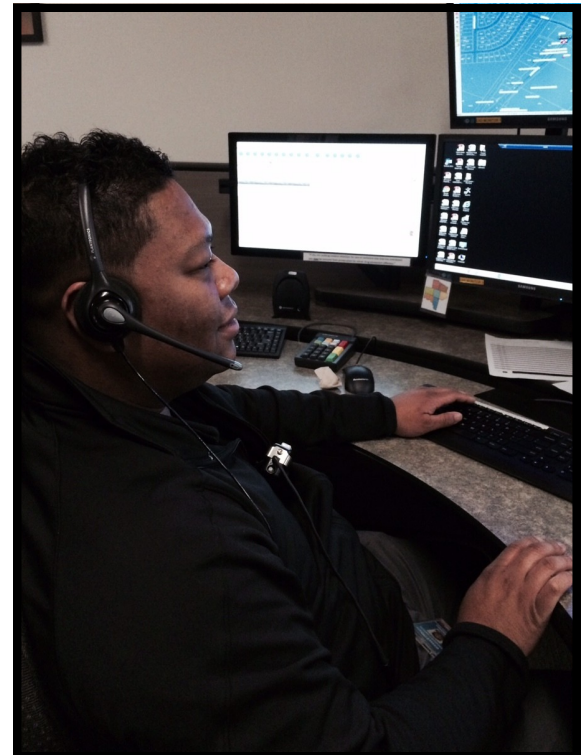
## Call of the Month

On January 8th ECO/Trainee Sarah Oliver answered a 911 call from a man who said he thought that his wife just passed away. CTO Waddell took over the call. The wife had been ill for a few days and had some on-going health issues as well.

Tramel instructed the husband on how to perform chest compressions. The husband was very upset and was having trouble breathing as well. Tramel would count with him until he couldn't go on, then would have him rest for a minute before resuming compressions.

Tramel talked to him, encouraging him to continue and counting with him. After about 6 minutes, Medic 15 arrived on the scene and the caller hung up, but he called back that night to thank Tramel for helping him and staying with him.

Way to go, Tramel! Good job!



# In The Spotlight

## Ohio's New Overdose Rates are Driven by Fentanyl

In East Liverpool, Ohio an officer suffered an accidental overdose. While patting down a suspect after an arrest, the officer came into contact with the powdered substance without realizing that it was fentanyl. Just 2-3 milligrams—or the equivalent of 5-7 grains of salt—is enough to cause respiratory depression, arrest and possible death.

Fentanyl is similar to, but more powerful than morphine. It is 50-100 times more potent than heroin. When mixed with heroin or cocaine, it amplifies their potency as well as their danger. Immediate effects include euphoria, drowsiness, respiratory depression, nausea and confusion.

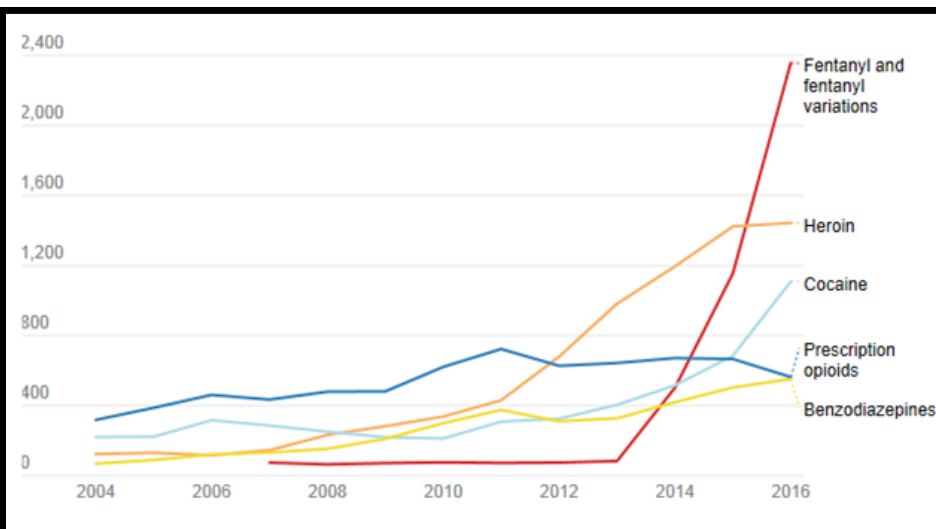


Anyone who suspects that they may have come into contact with something containing Fentanyl should immediately wash their hands. Avoid cleaning with any alcohol-based cleaners as they open the pores and could expedite absorption of the drug.

During the months of November-December, Columbus Police seized nearly 25 pounds of fentanyl during two busts in the city—the amount of the drug that was seized was enough to kill everyone in the State.

Ohio has been among the States hardest hit by the opioid epidemic, but data released from the States' Department of Health makes it clear that the problem continues to get worse—between 2015 and 2016 overdose deaths rose by 33%. In the Greater Cincinnati area, Warren County saw the largest percent increase in overdose deaths from 2015 to 2016. Last year, 58 people died of drug overdoses—up from 42 the

previous year.



Ohio is now suing five big drug companies that manufacture prescription painkillers, charging that they knowingly minimize the risks of addiction. As Attorney General Mike Dewine put it: "They knew they were wrong but they did it anyway and they continue to do it."

Ohio Overdose Deaths Involving Selected Drugs



# EMA NEWS

by Lesli Holt

## Emergency Operations Center Training

Warren County EMA will be focusing the 2018 Brown Bag Educational Sessions on training staff to fill positions in the county Emergency Operations Center. These sessions will take place the first Wednesday of every month between 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (details can be found on our website). The February Brown Bag Course will focus on identifying the EOC positions, when they are activated, and moving through the beginning of the EOC Planning “P” – the guideline for EOC operations.

The County Emergency Operations Center is activated to monitor and/or support incidents. The EOC provides coordination and support functions for events that require resources beyond the capability of local responders and serves as the link between the event and any state assistance that may be required. Activation of the County EOC can be requested by any Incident Commander or Jurisdictional CEO (commissioner, mayor, trustee, etc.) and will be staffed appropriately at the discretion of the Director of Emergency Services (or her designee).

Warren County is in need of trained staff to fill various positions in the County EOC. These positions serve specific functions during an incident and will be deployed based on the nature, scope, and duration of each event. Specific areas of expertise (or training) are needed in Fire/EMS, Law Enforcement, Hazmat, Transportation, Public Works, Mass Care, Food and Agriculture, Volunteer and Donations, Persons with Access and Functional Needs, Documentation, Finance, Logistics and Recovery.

If you have skills, expertise, or training in one (or more) of the identified areas, or you would like to help in our County EOC during disasters, please pack your lunch and join us for our 2018 Brown Bag Training Sessions. If you are not able to attend but are interested, contact Warren County EMA for further information.

### EMA Training

**Feb:** Community Emergency Response Team Training (See Flyer)

**Feb 6:** G191—ICS/EOC Interface @ Hamilton County

**Feb 7:** Warren County Brown Bag—EOC training

**Feb 8:**—Weather Spotter Training hosted @ West Chester Hospital

**Feb 8-9:** OH 197 Planning for Access & Functional Needs @ The American Red Cross

**Feb 13-14:** G 108 Community Mass Care @ Hamilton County

For more information on available emergency management training opportunities in the region, visit our website @ <http://www.co.warren.oh.us/emergencyservices/emergencymanagement/training/opportunities.aspx>



Citizen Preparedness is essential to emergency response!

Encourage your citizens to join the local or county CERT to help them better prepare themselves, their families, and their neighbors for an emergency or disaster!



### What To Do In An Emergency?

### Are You Prepared For A Disaster?

### Want To Learn?

This emergency training program educates people (age 18 & up) in basic emergency response and disaster preparedness skills. You will learn to help yourself, your family and your community when emergencies happen.

Learn more + register at [www.wcohc.org](http://www.wcohc.org)



**When:** 3 Hours/Every Thursday (No charge)  
February 1, 8, 15 and 22, 2018, 6–9 PM  
Saturday, Feb. 24, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
Lunch Provided

**Where:** Warren County Board Of Elections Building  
520 Justice Dr., Lebanon, Ohio (Lower level)



# Ground Hog's Day Wordsearch

by Nancy Machulskiy



The earliest ground hog prediction each year takes place in Nova Scotia by **SHUBENCADIE SAM**.

Atlanta's **GENERAL BEAUREGARD LEE** has two honorary Doctorate Degrees from the National Weather Service.

Ontario, Canada has an albino ground hog by the name **WIARTON WILLIE**.

Marion, Ohio's **BUCKEYE CHUCK** is considered to be one of the top predictors by the Weather Channel.

**JABARI** is Portland, Oregon's African pygmy hedgehog.

**GROVER** is Pine Grove, Pennsylvania's groundhog who appears with his wife, Sweet Arrow Sue.

**BALZAC BILLY** is Alberta, Canada's prognosticator.

Wearing his signature hat, **SMITH LAKE JAKE** hails from Alabama.

**ARCHI** is a Russian-speaking ground hog from Moscow and lives at the Moscow Zoo.

Manchester, Connecticut receives their spring forecast from **CHUCKLES**.

**HUTTY THE HOG** is the celebrated ground hog from Kansas City, Missouri.



## Vehicle Tactics Shooting Course

Hamilton Township Police Association is hosting this class with the goal of educating officers about shooting dynamics around vehicles. Officers will have the opportunity to sit in the vehicle and conduct live fire drills in and out of the vehicle. Officers will also be shooting through windshields and into a vehicle on a simulated traffic stop.

Location will be at Hamilton Township PD Training Room and Hamilton Township Range, Friday, April 20 at 8:00 AM until 4:00 PM. Cost is \$75.00. For further information contact Sgt. Quillan Short at [qshort@hamilton-township.org](mailto:qshort@hamilton-township.org).



## Where Am I?

If you know the location where this picture was taken, email us at [melissa.bour@wcoh.net](mailto:melissa.bour@wcoh.net) no later than February 23rd. Everyone that has the correct answer will be entered into a drawing for a prize. Include your name, phone number, department you work for and your guess of the location and any other details. Don't forget to check back next month to see if you are the one that won!

Congrats to Joseph Newton with Telecommunications for guessing that last month's picture was taken at Plain Folk Café in Pleasant Plain. Stop by dispatch to pick up your prize!



## December Monthly Dispatch Stats

	Total	First Shift	Second Shift	Third Shift
<b>Created the Most Incidents</b>	8,480	Kelly Fiebig 517 Calls	Bob Anson 520Calls	Hannah Banks 877 Calls
<b>Most Status Changes</b>	35,826	Carmen Carson 1,581	Shelby Davis 1,723	Doug Short 2,380
<b>Total 911 Calls Received</b>	8,184 Calls	1,259 Calls	3,319 Calls	3,606 Calls
<b>Total 7-Digit Calls Received</b>	8,407 Calls	1,385 Calls	3,830 Calls	3,192 Calls
<b>Busiest Day</b> (Based on 911 & Admin Calls)	Friday 12/29 519 Calls			
<b>Busiest Time of Day</b> (Based on 911 & Admin Calls)	16:00-17:00 1,067 Calls			



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