# the Partnership

#### CAMPUS & COMMUNITY

#### United against dangerous drinking

Meeting Minutes February 14, 2011 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. 325 HUB/Robeson

**Members Present:** Amy Caputo, Dan Florencio, Tom Fountaine, Elizabeth Goreham, Ken Healy, Tom King, Jeanne Knouse, Linda LaSalle, Bill Mahon, Deborah Marron, Joseph Puzycki, Kimberly Rimmey, Jared Rodrigues, Steve Shelow, Damon Sims, Dawn Taylor, Ali Turley, Rachel Urwin.

Guest: Chris MacGill

#### State Patty's Day Update

Tom King stated that State Patty's Day is the busiest time of year for the police department. He shared data with the group from last year consisting of, but, not limited to:

- 365 calls (86 of which were initiated by police officers)
- 160 arrests (double from the previous year)
- DUI arrests were up
- (24) ER (alcohol overdoses)

DUI patrols this year will include Ferguson, Patton, LCE, UP Police, State Police and State College Police. Tom will send the presentation to Liz to include with the minutes. Steve Shelow stated that on campus incidents were down last year compared to the previous

year, while criminal arrests tripled. UP is partnering very strongly this year with the borough. Steve and Tom met with the CATA bus driver labor union, who stated that last year's event was their worst day in history. The police supervisor will be in direct contact with the bus supervisor on the day of the event this year. They are meeting with the apartment building owners today. Tom stated volunteers can participate in the community initiative to promote safety, pride and respect in State College on Saturday, February 26<sup>th</sup>. Click on the following link to sign up: http://www.statecollegepa.us/forms.aspx?FID=89

Some students are talking about an organized service day. Dan Florencio stated that efforts have been made to be sure that the sororities and fraternities are on the same page. Some of the initiatives in place are: no hard liquor, no guest list parties, encouraged not to have events,

security company monitors events, a volunteer day in conjunction with the council of lion heart with approx. currently 4 men per chapter to come out in the night hours.

Damon Sims stated that the student involvement and leadership is heartening.

Bill Mahon pointed out that the business community is making money on the event and should be engaged in the solution. Tom Fountaine stated that they have reached out to them and urged them to take a responsible host approach and that many of the licensed establishments have been cooperative by not opening early and no green themes or specials, and a couple of taverns, The Gaff and Lion's Den are not opening at all that day. Some businesses benefit, but many suffer economically. The suggestion that a person from the retail business community added to the initiative next year would be a good idea to develop further was made.

#### Office of National Drug Control Policy Visit

Damon Sims stated three senior staffers from the White House ONDC made a 2 day visit to Penn State, 3 weeks ago. They were interested in our experience because of the Partnership, and the national policy doesn't include alcohol in the Higher Ed community. They wish to partner with communities like ours, a community with a problem, and they realize how much we have done over the years.

Bill Mahon suggested PSA's run on the BIG 10 network.

#### **Meeting with Tavern Owners Association**

Tom Fountaine and Damon Sims met recently with the tavern association, to reengage them in the Partnership. Several discussions took place including State Patty's Day. The outcome was that several members would like to participate in future meetings.

#### **Non-Renewal of Licenses**

All local licensees are actively operating, except Sanmark (Tony's Big Easy and Lulu's). The Mezzanine and 797 Lounge are in the nuisance bar program, which means that they will operate as normal, but will have to adhere to LCB guidelines within the program.

#### **Social Marketing Campaign**

Rachel Urwin outlined the use of the \$15K PLCB grant, which is co-sponsored by 'Communities that Care':

- During the Fall semester 2010, student leaders led a poster campaign, "Take the Lead" conveying personal messages pertaining to alcohol, posters have been and are being printed and distributed
- Collegian ads run every 2 weeks
- CATA bus placard ads
- Fridge Magnets (alcohol poisoning)

- Post It Notes
- Pens
- CDT ads

http://live.psu.edu/story/51065#nw5

#### Closing

Damon and Tom ask if you have any thoughts or ideas regarding the restructuring of the Partnership to please share them at the next meeting.

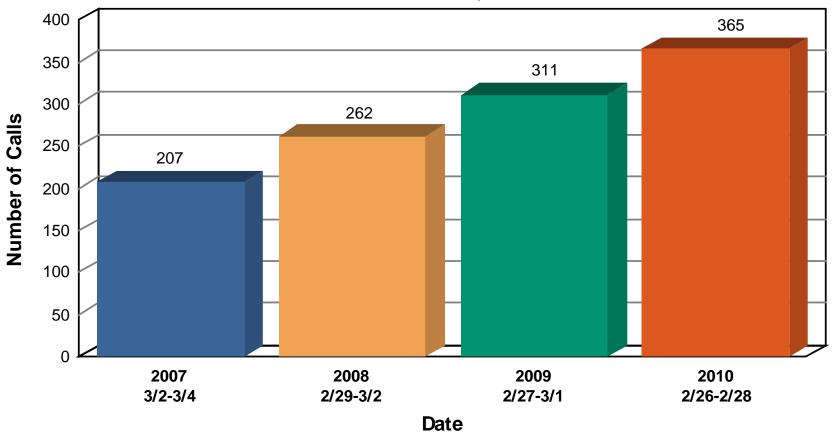
Jeanne Knouse stated that PATS survey data is ready and she would be happy to present it at a future meeting.

**Next Meeting: TBA** 

Respectfully submitted by: Liz Barton

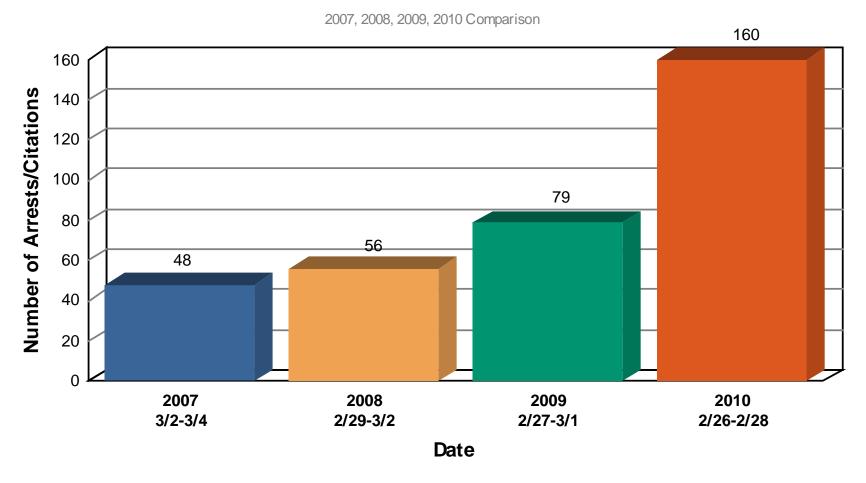
#### **Total Calls for Police Service**

2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 Comparison



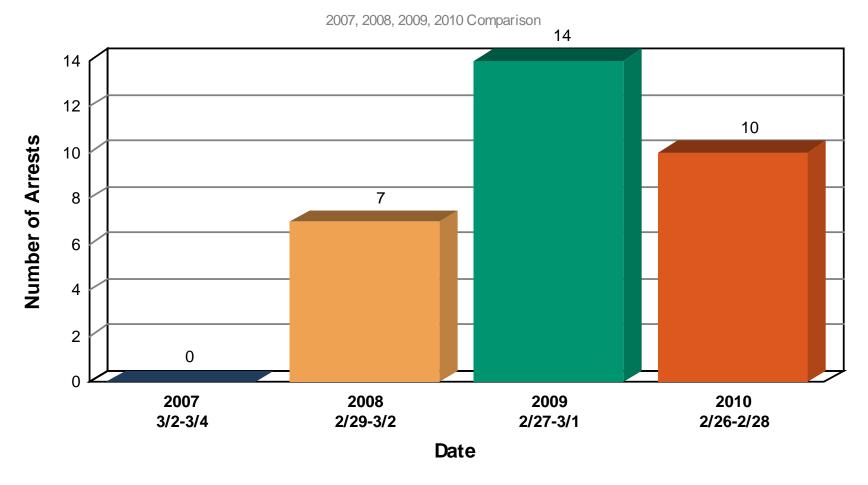
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### **Criminal Arrests/Citations**



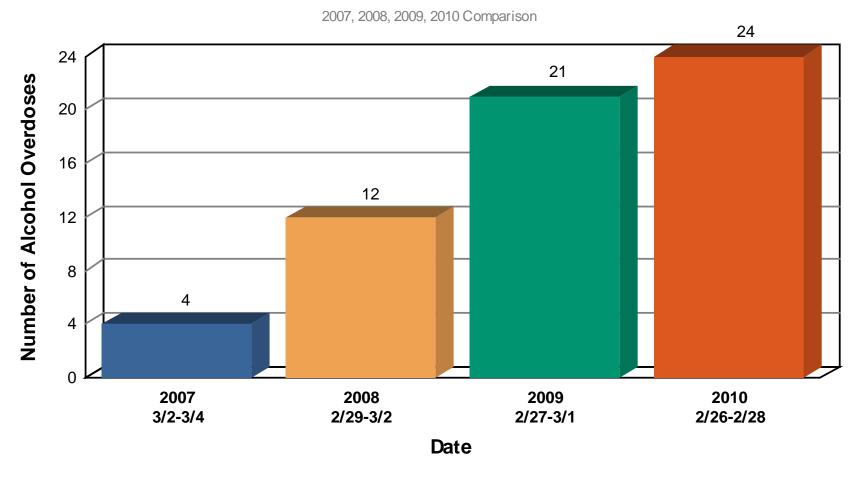
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## **DUI Arrests**



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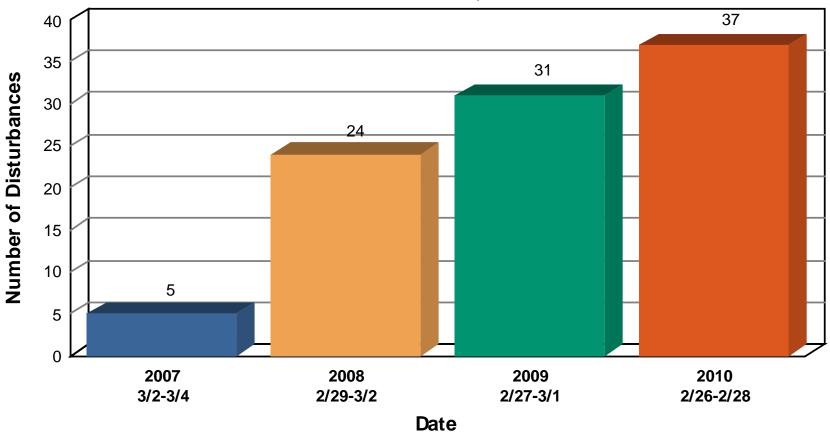
## **Alcohol Overdose Requiring EMS**



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## **Loud Noise/Disorderly Parties**

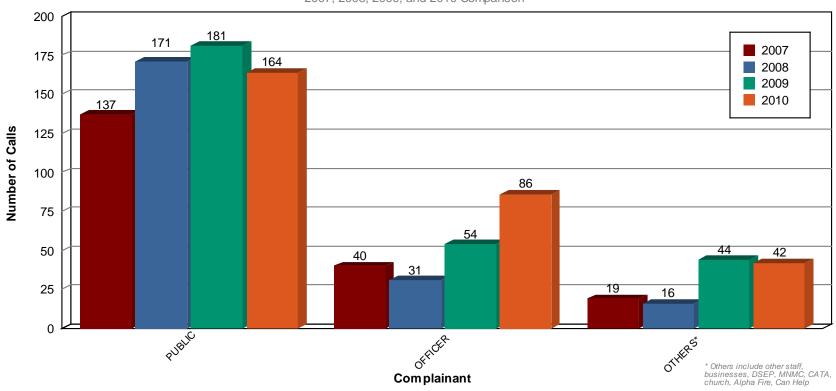
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# **Calls for Service by Complainant**

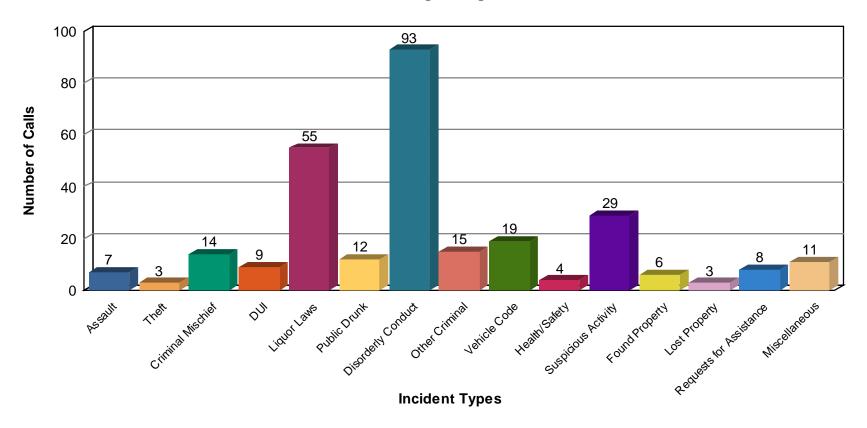
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# **Types of Calls during 48 Hours**

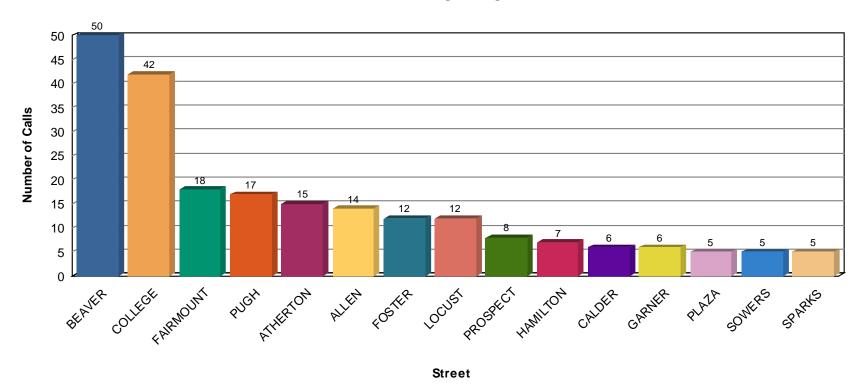
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## Calls for Service by Street during 48 Hours

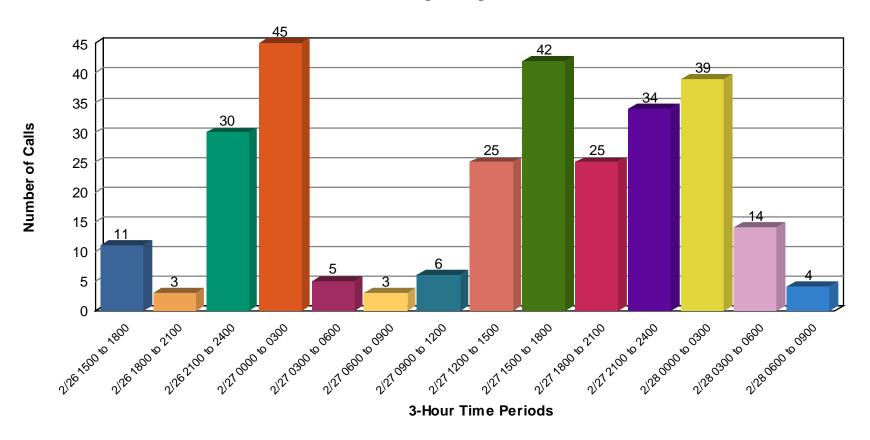
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# **Activity in 3-Hour Time Periods**

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# 2011 SPD Traditional Policing Plans

 Staffing similar to Arts Festival weekend or night PSU Football game weekend

Primary Police Agencies: State College PD, PSU
Police Department, and Pa State Police

Other Supporting Agencies: Ferguson Twp. PD,
Patton Twp. Pd, and Liquor Control Enforcement

 Greater police presence during afternoon/early evening hours on Saturday

# 2011 SPD Community Policing Plans

- "Promote safety, pride, and respect in State College on February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011"
- Seek a diverse group of students and non-students to be present in our downtown and neighborhoods
- Engage our community members to participate for a few hours in the Community Volunteer Day (CVD)
- Assign volunteers into teams of four (4) comprised of both students and non-students
- Assign teams to zones which cover the downtown, Highlands Neighborhood, and Holmes-Foster Neighborhood
- Volunteers will report to one of three "warming stations" to check in/out, meet with team members, and have access to refreshments

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- Warming Stations are State College Presbyterian Church, St. Paul's Methodist Church, and Unity Church of Jesus Christ
- Volunteer Role: Simply to be a visible, friendly, and sober presence in town in hopes of there mere presence may discourage illegal or dangerous conduct
- Secondary Role: If comfortable doing so, call police to report illegal or dangerous behavior they observe
- To sign up go to <u>www.statecollegepa.us</u> At the top of the home page go to Community Volunteer Day
- As of Friday, February 11<sup>th</sup> we had 150 volunteers registered

# QUESTIONS and/or SUGGESTIONS