

MOUNT OLIVE TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT



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The following has been authorized for immediate release to the public. Any requests for additional information should be made to the Public Information Officer or a Staff Officer.

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Key: (A) Arrested (V) Victim (W) Witness (O) Other (D) Driver (JM) Juvenile Male (JF) Juvenile Female (ROR) Released on Own Recognizance (ROB) Released on Bail (RTP) Released to Parent (HRMC) Hackettstown Regional Medical Center (SCH) St. Clare's Hosp. (MMC) Morristown Medical Center (MCCF) Morris Co. Correctional Facility (MCJDC) Morris Co. Juv. Detention Center

Incident/Event:	National Public Safety Telecommunications Week
Date:	4/5/2017
Location:	Mount Olive Police Department
Investigated by:	
Involved:	

National Public Safety Telecommunications Week is April 9th- 15th. This week long event is held annually to honor telecommunicators in the public safety community. The Mount Olive Police are fortunate to have a Communications Center and we would like to recognize the Communication Officers who work behind the scenes to serve our community.

The Communication Officer is the first voice a person hears when they contact the Police Department. The response and direction from the Communication Officer sets the tone for the caller and for the police and emergency responders. Mount Olive Communication Officers are involved in over 100 calls for service each shift. These calls vary in nature and require a broad range of instructional expertise to assure the most positive outcome for the caller and emergency responders.

Our most senior Communication Officer is Steve Mirsik. He graduated from Montclair State University where he attained his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Justice Studies. He was hired as a Communications Officer in July, 2012. As the most seasoned Communications Officer, he has been tasked with Field Training new Communications Officers. Mirsik received a Life Saving Award in 2012 for providing Emergency Medical Dispatch instructions and CPR to assist with a person who had overdosed. In October 2013, Communications Officer Mirsik received the Grand Cordon Award for

dispatching Officers to a burglary in progress where physical descriptions provided to responding Officers resulted in the arrest of the perpetrators. Communications Officer Mirsik also received a Grand Cordon Award for dispatching Officers to a suicidal male who inevitably flayed his wrist and needed advanced medical care to survive. He has been a dedicated employee and aspires to be a Police Officer.

Griffin Adkins graduated Wyoming Technical Institute where he is certified in Trim and Upholstery. He has been a volunteer member of the Wantage Township Fire Department for 13 years and currently holds rank of 1st Lieutenant. Communications Officer Adkins was hired December 2012 as a part time Communication Officer and became a full time employee in May, 2013. Communications Officer Adkins received a Grand Cordon Award for dispatching Officers to a burglary in progress, ascertaining proper descriptions of the perpetrators who were arrested immediately. Communications Officer Adkins aspires to be a Police Officer.

Karissa Sevensky graduated from Kutztown University with a Bachelor of Art Degree and was hired as a full time Records Clerk and part time Communications Officer in June 2014. As a diverse employee, she is valued in both job titles and is critical in the daily operations at the Police Department.

John Johansen graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from the College of Saint Elizabeth. He was hired as a part time Communications Officer in December 2014 and became a full time employee in January, 2015. Due to Communications Officer Johansen's calm demeanor and his abilities as a Communications Officer, he was tasked with his first assignment as a Communications Training Officer this year. Communications Officer Johansen aspires to be a Police Officer.

Mark Adamsky graduated from Marist College in Poughkeepsie with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice. Communications Officer Adamsky was hired as a part time Communications Officer in June 2015 and became a full time employee in June, 2016. Communications Officer Adamsky aspires to be a Police Officer.

Ryan Hammell was hired in January 2017 after Communications Officer Gregory Slinger was hired to be a Police Officer with this agency. Communications Officer Hammell transferred from the Mount Olive Sanitation Department. Communications Officer Hammell is an active Marine Reservist and his boot camp was at Paris Island. He is continuing his education at Thomas Edison State College. He also volunteers his time as an EMT with the Budd Lake First Aid Squad. Communications Officer Hammell aspires to get his degree and become a Police Officer.

Daniel Maio was also hired in January 2017 after the resignation of Nicholas Levitas who became a Port Authority Police Officer. He is a graduate of Rutgers University with a Bachelor of Science Degree with a History major and a Political Science Minor. Communications Officer Maio has been enlisted in the Army since 2009 where he had been deployed as a Sergeant in the CBRN Unit (Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear Unit). Communications Officer Maio aspires to be a Police Officer.

The newest Communication Officer in training is Emily Loughman. She graduated from the University of Delaware with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology. She was hired in December 2015 as a records clerk. She is currently training to become a Communications Officer.

Darrell Hooper began his career in 2007 as a Communications Officer. He graduated from Rutgers University with Bachelor of Arts degree in History and Political Science. He has been a valuable asset to our community having trained (6) Communication Officers. He developed the Field Training Program and continues to be a source of knowledge for the newly hired Communications Officer. He is also our lead 911 and Emergency Medical Dispatch Instructor. He is currently the Administrative

and Payroll Supervisor and Assistant to the Chief of Police. As his office is adjacent to the Communications Center, he is always the first person to respond when dispatchers need assistance.

These Communication Officers can handle a call calmly while coordinating the response of several agencies to save lives and protect property. Their commitment to the community is as dedicated as any first responder. Often times their efforts are not recognized due to the fact that as soon as one event is over, the next event begins. This week, we would like to take moment to let our Communication Officers know, that they are appreciated and we are proud of their accomplishments and dedication to Mount Olive Police and the Mount Olive Community.



Communications Officer Mirsik



Communications Officer Adkins



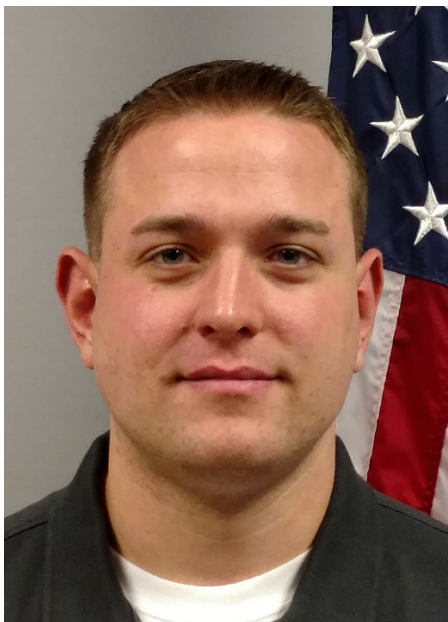
Records Clerk/Communications Officer Sevensky



Communications Officer Johansen



Communications Officer Adamsky



Communications Officer Hammell



Communications Officer Maio



Records Clerk/Communications Officer Trainee Loughman



Payroll Supervisor/Communications Officer Hooper