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Pennridge Community"*

East Rockhill Township
West Rockhill Township

Pennridge Regional Police

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1027 Ridge Rd., Sellersville PA 18960

Special Services

- Pennridge Regional Youth Aid Panel
- Departmental Accident Reconstruction Team
- Motor Carrier Enforcement Officer
- Central Bucks Emergency Response Team
- Bucks County Mass Incident Response Team

Pennridge Regional Police Department

The Pennridge Regional Police Department was formed in 1992, serving the communities of East Rockhill Township, West Rockhill Township and Sellersville Borough. Today, a total of thirteen, full-time sworn officers proudly serve our Pennridge community, providing police service to East Rockhill Township and West Rockhill Township.

The department's foundation is based on a para-military command structure, meaning that there is a hierarchy of command—a basic rank structure. The Pennridge Regional Police Commission governs the department. The Commission is made up of elected officials from East Rockhill Township and West Rockhill Township

and led by a "Commissioner". The position of Commissioner changes yearly. The Pennridge Regional Police Commission meets monthly to discuss the operation of the department.

The Chief of Police is in charge of the daily operations of the department and provides leadership to the officers and civilian staff.

Officers are divided into two platoons. Each platoon is led by a Sergeant who is responsible for the actions of each officer in his command. All officers work 12 hour rotating shifts and are assigned a patrol zone (municipality) each shift.

The department also has a Detective who investigates in depth crimes, handles evidence

and is specially trained in many advanced topics.

The department employs two civilian staff. One full time Administrative Assistant and a part time secretary are responsible for administrative assignments, such as phone duties, data entry, payroll and accounts payable.

The office is "officially" open from 8:00am to 4:00pm, Monday through Friday. Officers are on duty and available, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to handle a full range of calls for service.

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The Pennridge Regional Police

(Bottom Left): Valerie Pattison, Harry Hallman, Patrick Karcher, David Mettin, Rodney Blake, Daryl Lewis, Lisa Owens, (Top Left): Gerald Gaittens, Stephen DiGiovanni, Brian Rickabaugh, Daniel Branch, Donald Bartholomew, Tim Maloney, Fred Roese-ner, Daniel Forbes





Uniform Crime Report—October Statistics

The Uniform Crime Report contains official data on crime as reported to police departments throughout the United States. Crime data is provided to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, then compiled into the Uniform Crime Report. The report contains crime and arrest data divided into two Parts. Part I crimes are known as “index crimes” and are deemed the most serious offenses. Part I crimes include Homicide, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Theft, Motor Vehicle

Theft and Arson. Part II crimes include all other crimes reported to Law Enforcement.

In November, six Part I crimes and 41 Part II crimes were reported to the Pennridge Regional Police Department.

Police investigated 2 thefts and 4 burglaries / attempted burglaries, 12 acts of vandalism, 1 possession of weapons on school property, 3 drug violations, 2 Driving Under the Influence complaints, 1 offense against family, 5 acts of Disorderly

Conduct and 17 other minor offenses.

Officers arrested 19 persons in November. Police arrested 4 individuals for Theft, 3 persons for vandalism, 4 for drug violations, 2 persons for DUI and 6 persons for Disorderly Conduct.

Tylersport Area Crime Alert Committee

The Tylersport Area Crime Alert Committee began in the summer of 1994 when a rash of home burglaries in Salford Township alarmed a number of residents who decided to take action to help the State Police deal with the problem.

Currently, the committee meets on a monthly schedule at Nannys Family Store in Tylersport with participation from local residents and various police departments, including the Pennridge Regional Police. Over the years, the group has collaborated with local police

and officials of the PA Game Commission to provide local support and information on a number of issues, from illegal poaching around the deer hunting season to its most recent activity helping Salford Township and the State Police deal with missing financial records from 2007.

The leadership for the group is provided by Co-Chair Paul Unruh, of West Rockhill Township, who owns Nannys Family Store, and Co-Chair George Di Domizio of Salford Township. Commander of the Citizen Pa-

trol is Fred Moyer of Salford. The stated mission of the group is: “Serve as the eyes and ears of police officers, PA Game Commission officers and be available to help neighbors in every way possible.”

Membership in the group is open to all residents of Salford, West Rockhill, Marlborough and Franconia townships. The next meeting of the group will be on Wednesday, January 28, 2009 at Nannys Family Store at 7 p.m. For more information, contact Paul Unruh at 215 453-0663 or George Di Domizio at 215 234 4510.



Contact Us

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- **(215) 257-5104**—During normal business hours for non-emergency calls, information or to report a tip

- **(215) 257-2444**—During non-business hours for non-emergency calls
- **9-1-1**—For all emergency calls (Bucks County Emergency Communications Center)

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