

Sparta Police Department

Monthly Report



March 2010

Activity Report:

During the month of March the Sparta Police Department responded to 1738 calls for service, issued 137 traffic citations, arrested 13 persons for Operating While Under the Influence and made 159 non-traffic related arrests. Overall activity level was on average with the prior year.

Index Crimes:

Part I Offenses Reported:

Homicide: 0	Sex Offense: 5	Assault: 4	Burglary: 1
Theft: 24	Motor Vehicle Theft: 1	Arson: 1	Robbery: 0

Part II Offenses Reported:

Fraud: 5	Criminal Damage: 10	Drug: 5
Domestic: 3	Disorderly: 6	Weapon: 1

Part III Traffic Offenses Reported:

Crashes: 21	Traffic Complaints: 47	Traffic Stops: 311
Parking Complaints: 20	Parking Tickets Issued: 8	

Part IV Incidents:

Alarms: 10	Mental: 1	Suspicious: 53	Open door/window: 2
Warrants: 16	Noise: 8	911 hang up: 23	Animal: 32

Citations & Arrests

Traffic: **137**

Non-Traffic: **159**

Speed Related: **11**
Traffic Sign & Signals: **7**
Drivers License Violations: **43**
Vehicle Registration: **12**
OMVWI/BAC: **25**
All Others: **39**

Bail Jumping: **12**
Battery: **5**
Battery to a Police Officer: **2**
Burglary: **1**
Disorderly Conduct: **30**
Obstructing/Resisting: **6**
Drug Related: **18**
Theft: **8**
Motor Vehicle Theft: **2**
Underage Drinking: **5**
Curfew: **2**
Truancy: **3**
Other: **65**

Chief's Report

The Sparta Police Department is investigating a bomb threat made at the Northern Engraving factory on Black River Street. The threat was written on a wall and caused factory management to curtail operations for a short period to time. Members of the police department and factory management conducted a sweep of the factory and did not locate anything suspicious. Factory operations resumed later the same day.

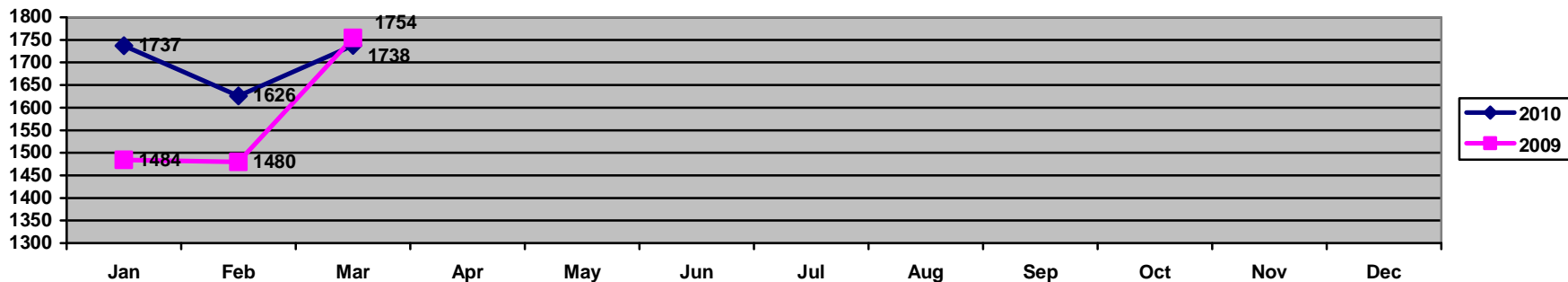
The Department issued a press release relating to the intentional damage or theft of campaign signs. We received several complaints from property owners claiming signs placed in their yards had been damaged or stolen. After the press release no additional reports were received.

The Department continues to investigate the cause of grass fire that occurred in the area of Amundson park along the river. The fire may have been the result of kids playing with flammables.

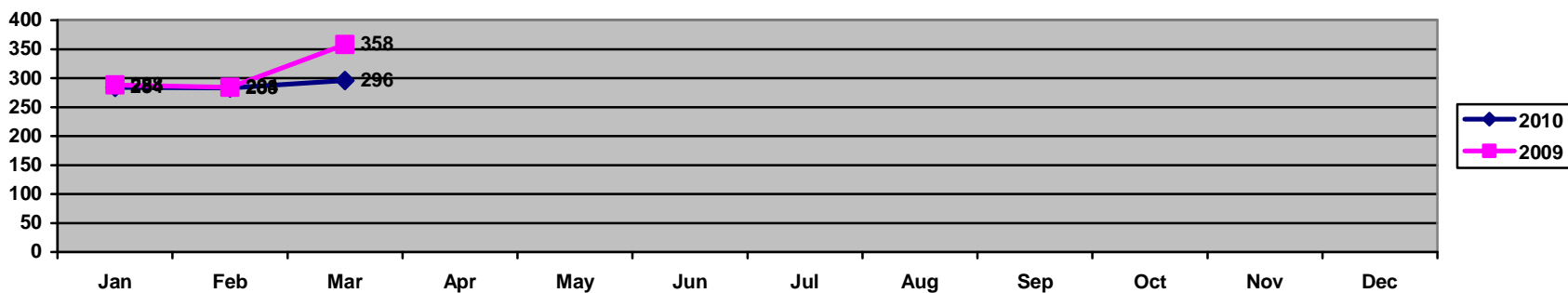
Training

- Lt. Dave Livingston completed Advanced Techniques in Property Room Management and Officer Involved Domestic Abuse training.
- Lt. Dave Kuderer attended the Wisconsin Traffic Safety Officer's Association training conference and Officer Involved Domestic Abuse training.
- Sgt. Joel Ames attended a course in street survival.
- Officer Chris Itnyre completed a training course in investigating Identity Theft and Document Fraud & a course in surviving a sudden attack.
- All sworn personnel completed a Emergency Vehicle Operations refresher course.

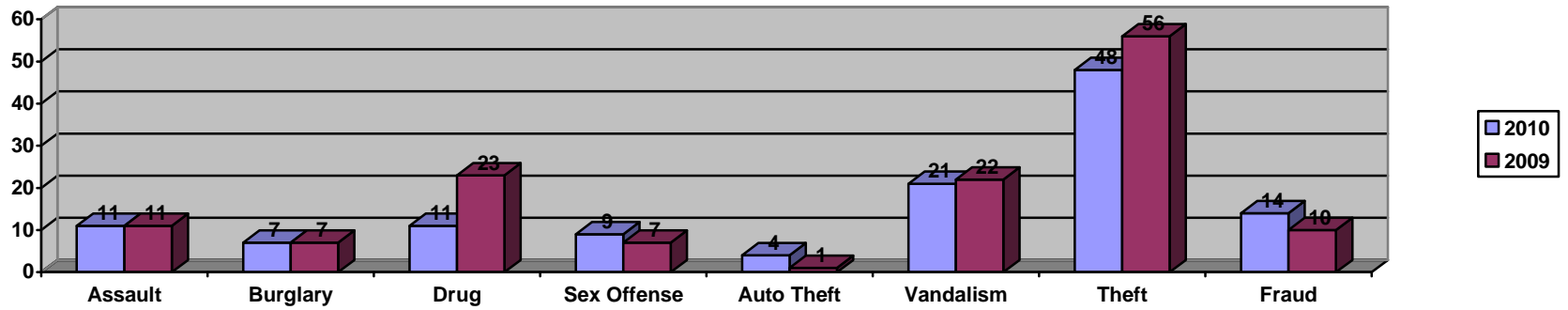
2009/2010 Year to Date Calls for Service



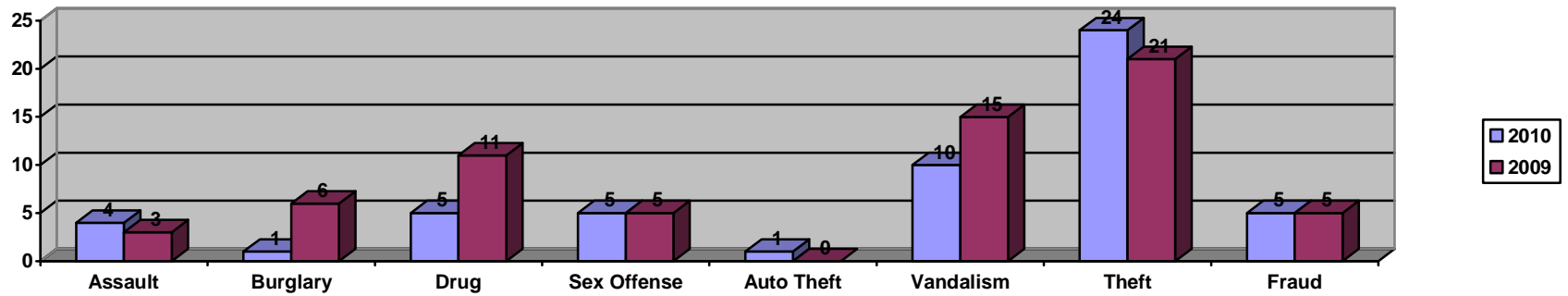
2008/2009 Year to Date Citations & Arrests



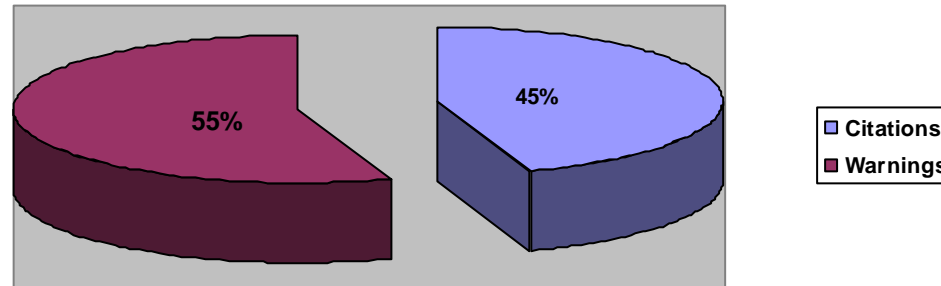
Year to Date Major Crime Comparison Running Total 2009/2010



Major Crime Comparison March 2009/2010



**February 2010 Traffic Stops
Warnings/Citations Comparison ***



* Data does not take into account multiple citations issued on a single stop.