

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Citizens, the Board of Selectmen, and the Town Manager:



The Farmington Police Department wishes to thank the entire community for their support this past year.

I would like to thank Greg Patterson from Walmart, Laura Ross and her staff at Hannaford's, music artist Mark Gentle, and the American Legion for their efforts to support our veterans. The Farmington Police and the Farmington Fire Rescue Department hosted two community events this past year, to honor and support our wounded veterans and their families. The two barbecues helped raise almost \$3,000 for the Lone Survivor Foundation and the Travis Mills Foundation. I wish to personally thank everyone involved who helped in this effort.

Thank you State Senator Tom Saviello for recognizing Officers Darin Gilbert and Michael Lyman with a Legislative Sentiment at the State House in April. They were honored by the 127<sup>th</sup> Maine State Legislature for their actions in helping a young child who was abducted in the summer of 2015.

On July 30, 2016, Ron Gregoire suffered a heart attack and his wife Deborah performed CPR on him for fourteen minutes before Officer Bridgette Gilbert arrived. Officer Gilbert applied an automated external defibrillator (AED) and delivered an electronic pulse. Due to their efforts, he is alive and well today. Officer Gilbert and Deborah were recognized this past year for their efforts in saving Ron's life.

Our sincere condolences go out to the family of Taylor Gaboury. Taylor was fatally struck by a drunk driver, who fled the scene of the crash. This occurred within the first half hour of the New Year in 2016. Due to the hard work and professionalism of Sergeant Edward Hastings, IV and Officer Michael Lyman, the driver was ultimately convicted in Franklin County Superior Court last June.

In 2016, we welcomed new Officers Kevin Lemay, Jesse Clement and Brandon Tiner. Officers William Tanner and Derrick Doucette left our department to pursue other endeavors. I wish to thank them for their work while employed by the citizens of Farmington.

2016 also saw the promotion of Darin Gilbert from Patrolman to Detective. This was due to his years of hard work and

professionalism. Detective Gilbert is a 15 year veteran, who has been named the Employee of the Year three times. He is also an instructor with our department and the Maine Criminal Justice Academy. Detective Gilbert had been the training coordinator and the lead Field Training Officer for the department. Officer Michael Lyman is now responsible for those duties.

Our officers continued to support several charity events. These included the Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run, the Special Olympics "Tip a Cop" fund raiser, and the "Fueling Dreams" program in collaboration with Irving Oil. Officers also supported the American Cancer Society's "Relay for Life", "Operation Santa Claus", the Western Maine Homeless Shelter, and the United Way.

A family who wished to remain anonymous, donated money to give to those in need during the last Christmas season. The money was donated in memory of Richard E. Caton, III, our former Police Chief who passed away suddenly in 2010. The donors called it the "REC Project" or "Remembering Every Christmas", which are also former Chief Caton's initials. Our department was proud to disseminate the money in the form of gift cards in his honor.

In 2016 the Department received several grants. "DriveSober, Maine!" awarded the Department \$5,000 to conduct saturated patrols to apprehend and educate motorists of the consequences of operating under the influence of drugs or alcohol. We also received \$864 for directed enforcement to participate in the "Click it or Ticket" campaign, and \$3,500 for speed enforcement.

If you or a loved one has the potential to "wander" due to mental or physical disability and would like emergency personnel to have access to their information, please contact our department.

The same with our elder check program. If you know of someone or you would like to participate please contact us by phone, email or on our Facebook page.

To the members of the Farmington Fire Rescue, Farmington Public Works, Farmington Recreation Department, NorthStar Ambulance, Franklin County Sheriff's Department, Maine State Police, UMF Police, Wilton Police Department, Jay Police Department, and all other agencies that assisted us in the last year, thank you.

Special thanks go to the men and women who serve on the Farmington Police Department for their dedicated and devoted service.

The Farmington Police Department maintains a website at [www.farmington-maine.org](http://www.farmington-maine.org) and a Facebook page. These contain public service announcements and other helpful information. Please take a minute and check the sites from time to time as the information changes frequently.

Our department continues to strive to provide the best service and contribute to our mission: "To create a feeling of safety for people within the Town of Farmington".

If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us or to stop in at your Police Department. Myself or one of our members is also available every third Thursday of each month at Dunkin' Donuts on the Wilton Road for "Coffee with a Cop". Please stop in with your questions or concerns, or just to say hello.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack D. Peck, Jr.  
Chief of Police

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### **Barbecue Fund Raiser for the Travis Mills Foundation**



Travis Mills was presented with a check for \$1,537 from Detective Darin Gilbert and Officer Bridgett Gilbert.

**Summary of the Most Common Crimes or Police Calls/Complaints**

<b>Crime</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>
Rape	9	4	5
Assault	78	68	39
Burglary	16	23	16
Thefts (combined)	156	117	68
Criminal Mischief	37	70	45
Criminal Trespass	55	34	45
Drug Cases	50	69	53
Domestic Disturb.	66	71	53
Traffic Crashes	498	468	435
Arrests	553	541	486
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<b>Summons</b>			
Speeding Summons	488	500	271
Traffic Warnings	5,702	5,436	4,617
Parking Tickets	994	746	925
Missing Persons	2	20	18
Harassment Calls	136	143	135
Security Checks	2,254	1,948	1,788
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11,144</b>	<b>10,347</b>	<b>9,109</b>
Total Traffic Stops	6,793	6,998	5,006
<b>Police Revenues</b>			
	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>
Parking Tickets	\$ 18,355	\$ 11,000	\$ 12,980
Police Reports	\$ 1,457	\$ 1,272	\$ 625
Misc. & Gun Permit	\$ 1,762	\$ 1,027	\$ 1,003
Court Fees & Outside Extras	\$ 9,126	\$ 19,560	\$ 17,181
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 30,700</b>	<b>\$ 32,859</b>	<b>\$ 31,789</b>

## OFFICER OF THE YEAR



**Michael Lyman**  
**Congratulations!**

### EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER

Winter 2016 –	Detective Darin Gilbert
Spring 2016 –	Detective Marc Bowering
Summer 2016 –	Detective Darin Gilbert

## Farmington Police Department 2016



**Front L to R:** Officer Michael Lyman, Sgt. Edward Hastings, IV, Officer Brandon Tiner, Officer Bridgette Gilbert, Officer Justin Blais, Detective Marc Bowering, and Officer Kevin Lemay  
**Back L to R:** Sgt. Michael Adcock, Detective Darin Gilbert, Officer Jesse Clement, Chief Jack Peck, Jr., Office Manager Bonnie Pomeroy, Officer Ryan Rosie, and Deputy Chief Shane Cote  
**Absent from photo:** Parking Enforcement Drew Holston, Animal Control Officer Dexter Bridges, Crossing Guard Robert Hallman, and part-time secretaries Maryellen Martin, Stephan Bunker, and Kyle Ellis