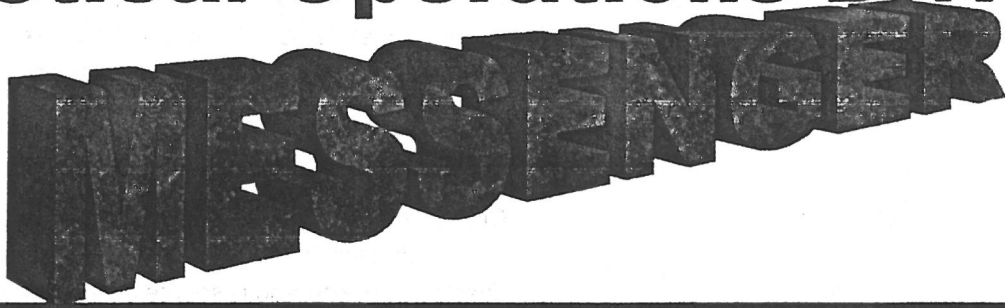


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From The Captain

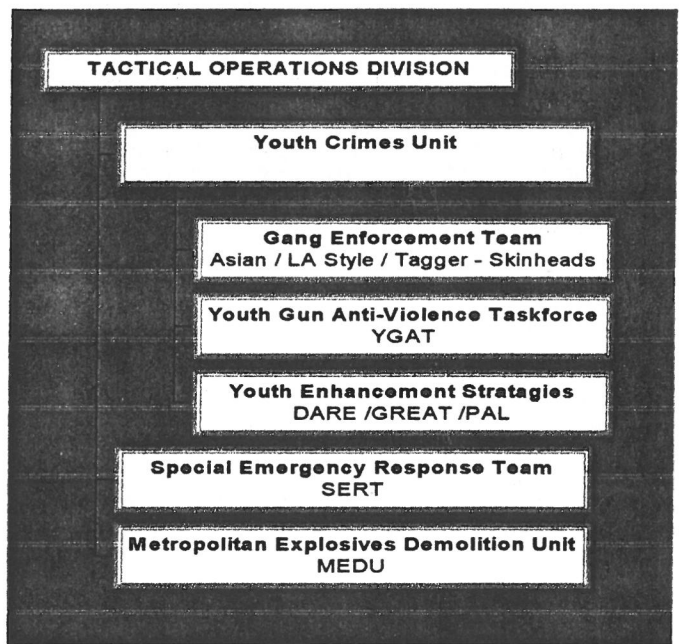
### Captain Larry Ratcliff - TOD

Captain Larry Ratcliff who heads the Tactical Operations Division was selected by the Bureau to attend the FBI Academy. He will be gone until 07/12/99. Newly promoted Captain Andrew Kirkland has been the Acting Captain of the Tactical Operations Division. Congratulations to his recent promotion! He will be moving on to the head of the Family Services Division effective Tuesday, 05/18/99. Lieutenant Cliff Jensen will be Acting Captain of TOD until my return.

### Division Organization

For our first information letter, it seemed appropriate to describe our divisions' composition and describe what we do. The Tactical Operation Division is located at the Northeast Community Policing facility. There are two major components of the Tactical Operations Division: the Youth Crime Unit and the Special Emergency Reaction Team (SERT) / Metropolitan Explosive Disposal Unit (MEDU).

The Youth Crime Unit is composed of the Gang Enforcement Team, the Youth Gun Anti-violence Taskforce, and the Youth Enhancement Strategies (DARE, GREAT, and Police Activities League).



### Special Emergency Reaction Team

S.E.R.T. primarily responds to barricaded felon, hostage and sniper situations and other potentially high-risk incidents at the request of the Precincts. We also provide the service of high-risk search warrant execution. S.E.R.T. works in conjunction with the Bureau's Hostage Negotiation Team to resolve life-threatening situations with the least risk of injury to Officers, innocent civilians, or the suspects. Members are also becoming more involved in training other members of the Bureau in such areas as search warrant execution, building clears, and fundamental patrol tactics. Call Sergeant Mel Tellinghusen 823-4192 or Officer Tadd Kruger at 823-4143 for assistance. ♦

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## Gang Enforcement Team

The Gang Enforcement Team (GET) under Lieutenant Jim Maciag has two multi-purpose enforcement teams working evenings, a day shift enforcement / community liaison team, Detectives and an Intelligence unit.

### DETAIL ONE - Afternoon Shift

Detail one is responsible for Los Angeles style gangs (Bloods and Crips). Their focus is to assist precincts and Tri-Met with their various gang problems. SGT Ed Hamann (823-2080) supervises the detail.

### DETAIL TWO - Afternoon Shift

Detail two works to deter violent crime committed by street gangs in several ethnic communities in the Portland Metro area. They have officers specializing in crimes committed by Hispanic, Asian and white supremacists street gangs. Sergeant Eric Reiter (823-2107) supervises the detail.

### DAY SHIFT

Three officers work the day shift detail: Officers Dave Barrios, Steve Staul and Jim Shindler. Besides enforcement activities, they specialize in working with the community on gang-related issues and youth at risk. They also work closely with Parole & probation in monitoring clients. Oregon State Police Sergeant Billesbach 823-4106 supervises the detail.

### DETECTIVES

T.O.D. has four Detectives (Neil Crannell, Brian Grose, Vince Elmore, and Paul Weatheroy). They follow up on gang related crimes except rape and sexual abuse. The Detectives work day shift, but there is one on call 24 hours a day. If you have questions about a case or if you know about a case which needs special attention call Sergeant Crebs at 823-2105.

### INTELLIGENCE UNIT

T.O.D. has three Intelligence Officers who disseminate up to date information on wanted subjects, officer safety and trends. All three Officers have extensive knowledge in their focus areas. If you have information please forward it to these officers so they can share it Bureau wide. Patrol Officers are the key to making the Intelligence Unit effective. "We need your

information." Contacts: Officer Cancio (Hispanic and White gangs) 823-2085, Officer King (Asian gangs) 823-2092, Officer Stradley (Black gangs) 823-0018.

### ANALYST

Officer John Laws has filled TOD's new Intelligence Crime Analyst position to keep statistics, identify trends, and link criminal associates. This will assist in mission planning and resource allocation. Officer Laws is knowledgeable in Russian gangs and the Russian culture. If you need statistics or if you have a question please contact Officer Laws at 823-2056. ♦

## YGAT

### *The Youth Gun Anti-violence Taskforce*

YGAT is TOD's new multi-agency gun task force under the direction of Lt. Steve Hollingsworth, targeting individuals age 26 and under. Unit members come from five agencies to include: Portland Police Bureau, Portland Public School Police, Multnomah County Sheriff's Office, Oregon State Police, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF). Our mission is to focus law enforcement and community efforts to develop and implement multi-year strategies to eliminate youth violent crimes. The unit has been in existence since July 1998. As of April 1999, they have seized 227 firearms and executed 41 search warrants. Points of contact are: LT Steve Hollingsworth pager 299-2539 / 823-4881; SGT David Anderson pager 323-5154 / 823-2109; SGT Lee Graham pager 274-5377 / 823-2099 ♦

## Metropolitan Explosive Disposal Unit

The Metropolitan Explosive Disposal Unit, commonly called M.E.D.U., consists of members from the Bureau, Port of Portland Police, Gresham Police, Clackamas County and Clark County Sheriff's offices. The unit responds to suspected explosive devices, found explosives, explosive chemicals, pick up and dispose of large quantities of fireworks and military ordinance through out the metropolitan area. The unit provides support for SERT operations and dignitary protection. In 1998, the unit had in excess of 400 missions. The point of contact is SGT Unsworth 823-0289. ♦



## POLICE ACTIVITIES LEAGUE

PAL is a non-profit, juvenile crime prevention program providing opportunities to youth through athletics, education, cultural enrichment and job opportunities. PAL is celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary in Oregon, and now serves more than 8,500 youth per year. PAL works closely with other community-based programs, the Portland Police Bureau, Portland Public School Police, the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office, the Portland Parks Bureau, and the Gresham Parks and Recreation Division to provide a network of services for youth.



The Tactical Operations Division works in partnership with the Asian Family Center by having one of our people, Doan Thaoanh, work out of their office. Doan is Vietnamese speaking and has assisted Bureau members in working with the Asian community many ways to include: assisting in domestic violence cases, targeting at risk youth, working with schools, and so many other ways. If Doan can be of assistance, she can be reached at either 823-2073 or 235-9396.



**D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education)** is a collaborative program by D.A.R.E. certified law enforcement officers, educators, students, parents and the community. The program is designed to have an educational curriculum taught in schools to prevent or reduce drug abuse and violence among children and youth.

The primary goal of D.A.R.E. is to prevent substance abuse among school age children. D.A.R.E. accomplishes this goal by :

Providing students with accurate information about alcohol and drugs;

Teaching students' ways to say "no" to drugs while providing alternatives to drug use;

Teaching students decision making skills and the consequences of their behavior; and

Building students' self-esteem while teaching them how to resist peer pressure.

The D.A.R.E. program is organized into 17 weeks of 50 – 60 minutes' lessons. Law enforcement officers teach the lessons. The officer also teaches 20 to 30 minute lessons to the K-4<sup>th</sup> grades. The officer uses role-play and other interactive teaching methods to teach the D.A.R.E. curriculum to the students.

For information contact Officer Shelly Kirkland 823-2186 ♦





## Gang Resistance Education And Training

**The effective new classroom program to prevent youth violence and KEEP KIDS OUT OF GANGS.**

G.R.E.A.T. is a nine-week program culminating with a certificate of graduation, a new philosophical outlook concerning gang activity, and the tools needed to resist gang pressure. In addition to a well rounded, structured curriculum, youth enjoy recreational games, outings and community service projects.

Gang Resistance Education And Training is a program designed to end gang violence across our nation, by employing two fundamental goals: To reduce gang activity and educate a population of young people as to the consequences of gang involvement. Specially trained police officers provide elementary and middle school students with the information and skills necessary to say NO to gangs, resolve conflict without the use of violence, and set positive goals for themselves. An integral part of the G.R.E.A.T. program is the follow-up summer project. The summer component is filled with classroom curriculum and extra-curricular activities. Not only reinforcing the nine-week school program, but providing G.R.E.A.T. students with cognitive, social, and self-esteem building opportunities.

If you are interested in finding out more about the G.R.E.A.T. program, please contact:  
Sergeant Kevin Modica 823-2111 or Merilee Laurens 823-2078

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