CERES POLICE DEPARTMENT

2018 ANNUAL REPORT

Centennial Year Edition

1918-2018

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF SERVICE
Ceres Police Department has a rich, long history. Inside this Annual Report you will see only a glimpse of that history as it would be impossible to include every piece of information our archives contain. We believe that the glimpse we’ve given is enough to show where the Ceres PD started and how far we have come in 100 years.

This report would have been impossible to produce were it not for the hard work and dedication of our Department Historian, Sergeant Jason Coley, who wrote and published *Ceres Police Department History, 1918-2012*.

Having this document on hand made this seemingly insurmountable task not only do-able and achievable, but also enjoyable.

As we bring our Centennial year to a close, we look forward to the next 100 years, excited to see what the future holds for our Department.
I am pleased to present the Centennial edition of the Ceres Police Department Annual Report.

During 2018 we celebrated 100 years of Police service to the City of Ceres. As part of the year-long celebration, Centennial badges were designed and purchased by the POA for every sworn Officer. These badges were worn for an entire year and are now in possession of each Officer who was employed here during our Centennial year. In addition, our civilian employees were given the opportunity to purchase a commemorative badge as a keepsake.

Within the pages of this Report you will find information on the Department’s past, present and future. Much of the history of this Department is spotlighted and shows our humble beginnings. Current crime statistics and other data show where we are today, and the photos included highlight our commitment to Community Involvement.

With the improvement of the economy, the City Council approved the hiring of two additional sworn positions in July, 2018. As I look to the future, I anticipate the City Council will approve adding even more positions effective July 1, 2019. These added personnel will give the Department the ability to focus on the future and more specific issues that the community of Ceres faces such as homelessness, increased traffic, drugs and overall safety concerns.

As we close 2018 and this 100th year, I remain confident in the service our police officers and professional staff provide on a daily basis.

It is an honor and privilege to serve as your Police Chief.

B. Smith
Chief’s Community Advisory Committee

Comprised of five professionals who live or work in Ceres, the Chief’s Community Advisory Committee meets once a month to discuss local, state and national issues, make recommendations to Chief Smith, and to help him keep his finger on the pulse of the Community he and his Officers serve.

During this past year, the Chief’s Committee has discussed topics such as homelessness, drug abuse, terrorism, and youth intervention.

In May, they awarded five Middle School Students the Ceres Police Department Positive Character Award. These students were chosen because of the leadership, resilience or growth they have shown in light of a difficult personal or school circumstance.

In November, several members participated in Mock Interviews at Central Valley High School which helps students become comfortable in an Interview situation.

Chief’s Community Advisory Committee

Mission Statement

We are a passionate and motivated team of Ceres residents that are committed to supporting the actions of our Police Chief and our Police Department.

We are committed to providing advice, support and resources to the Police Chief in order to create integrated solutions that will improve the quality of life for our community.
City of Ceres Vision Statement:

In collaboration with the community, together we achieve a Ceres that is an attractive, livable, safe community with beautiful neighborhoods, landscaped streets, parks, trails, facilities and vibrant commercial and entertainment amenities.

City of Ceres Goals:

- Infrastructure
- Livable Community
- Economic Development
- Planning for the Future
- Government Operations

(*) On December 10, 2018 Ken Lane attended his last City Council meeting before retiring. During the November elections, Channce Condit was voted in as his replacement. Mike Kline rotated out of the Vice-Mayor position and Linda Ryno took over as Vice Mayor.
Before the first Police Chief was hired, there were Marshals and Constables. The first Marshal was T.F. Perrin, who was hired in 1918, the year Ceres was incorporated. He was paid a salary of $5.00 per month and his duties included collecting taxes, checking doors at night, and picking up drunks.

Chief Jack Dillon - 1934-1942
• First Ceres Chief of Police
• Was elected Constable of Ceres Township in 1942 only to die of a heart attack a few months later.

Chief Louis Garl - 1942-1943
• Owned a plumbing and “fix-it” shop before he became Chief.
• Salary was $100.00 per month.
• The City Council asked for monthly reports...none have been found.

Chief A.R. White - 1943-1944
• Went to prison for forgery.

Chief S.M. Christiansen - 1944-1945
• Previously served as Mayor of Ceres.

Chief J.M. McGuffey - 1945-1946
• Enjoyed shooting tires.
• Salary was $200.00 per month.
• Only had one arm.
• Was harassed by teenagers over his disability.
• Went back to patrol when Chief Triplett was hired.

Chief Henry Triplett - 1946-1951
• Began to organize the Department.
• Incidents were documented in a more “modern” way.
Chief of Police Now

Chief Kenneth Foster - 1951-1956 (?)
- It seems that there were several Chiefs during this five year span, but the records do not reflect them in a formal capacity. Kenneth Foster was one of these Chiefs. His exact years of service as Chief are unclear.

Chief LeRoy Cunningham - 1956-1983
- Began as a photographer for the Fire Department and for Traffic Accidents.
- Hired the first Clerk/Dispatcher in 1957.
- Served as Chief for 27 years - to date, the longest serving Chief in the history of Stanislaus County.

Did you know... police reports were originally recorded on 3x5 cards?
Chief G.W. Peterson - 1983 - 1999
- Was Chief in Moscow, ID before coming to Ceres.
- Took on the duties of Fire Chief in 1987 when the Police and Fire Departments were combined to form the Department of Public Safety.
- Built the current Police building in 1988.
- Changed the uniforms from tan to the current dark navy.
- Established the following special Teams/Units: SWAT, CNT, Traffic, K9.
- Hired and mentored our current Chief of Police, Brent Smith.

Chief Art de Werk - 1999 - 2014
- Was Chief in Casper, WY before coming to Ceres.
- In addition to being Police Chief and Fire Chief, took over the City Manager duties in 2012 due to budget cuts.
- Established the following special Teams/Units: SCU, Equestrian, Domestic Terrorism Officer.
- Guided the Department through the Line of Duty Death of Sgt. Howard Stevenson—to date, the only Officer death the Department has ever experienced.
Chief Brent Smith - 2014 - Present

- Joined the Department in 1993 as a Reserve Officer.
- Was hired fulltime in 1994.
- Promoted through the ranks to Lieutenant.
- Was promoted to Interim Chief in June, 2014.
- Became the permanent Chief of Police in February, 2015.
- Implemented the renovation of the 911 Emergency Dispatch Center and the use of the RIMS System.
- Purchased License Plate Readers for the Department.
- Purchased Department-wide Body Worn Cameras.
- Started the Drone Program with the purchase of three Drones.
- Established the CNET (Ceres Neighborhood Enhancement Team)
- Upgraded the Department Locker Rooms including new showers and lockers.
- Upgraded the Department bathrooms.
- Implemented improved fiscal responsibility with the Department budget.
- Established the Chief’s Advisory Committee.
- Introduced Virtucom Training.
- Has spent countless hours mentoring the youth in the Ceres Community.

Did you know....the Ceres Department of Public Safety was dissolved in 2015 when it was once again divided into two separate Departments (Police and Fire), each with their own Chief?
Did you know.....The very first Police “Building” was actually a rented office, which cost the Department $10.00 a month? It was housed in a very narrow, tiny building between the old Delhart’s Furniture store and the old hardware store. It also served as the first jail.

Stories are told of prisoners being able to lean hard against the wall of the jail and fall out of the building. This location was later demolished when Highway 99 was built.
Did you know.....when Chief Peterson designed the current Police Building, the 2nd story was supposed to house all of the Administrators in an Admin Suite, and the basement was supposed to include an indoor gun range?

Neither happened. The Admin Suite was later occupied by CVGIT (Central Valley Gang Intelligence Taskforce) and the area earmarked for the gun range was converted into our Evidence Room.

Did you know...the old Police building, on the corner of Third and North, was demolished in 2001 and is now the site of Fire Station 1?
Did you know.....Chief Dillon used his personal vehicle, which was outfitted with a siren and red lights? This practice lasted until 1944 when $50.00 was approved by the City Council for the purchase of a car.

Patrol car with the Department’s first logo, circa 1945.
Patrol Vehicles

circa 1984

Current Vehicles

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF SERVICE
THEN  SPECIAL UNIT VEHICLES

Watch Commander Vehicle

SWAT Armored Vehicle “Bear”

Dually Truck

Community Service Officer Vehicle
Special Unit Vehicles

Chaplain Vehicle

Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Truck

VIPS Car
Did you know....prior to 1946, Officers did not wear any kind of recognizable or consistent uniform?
Did you know.....it costs close to $2,500.00 to outfit a new Officer with uniforms, leather-gear, a winter jacket and a bullet-proof vest? This doesn’t include the cost of their firearm.
Did you know.....during the 1970's Officers were required to wear helmets as part of their uniform?

Traffic Helmets
Department Covers

Baseball Caps

Campaign Hat worn during Memorial Services
From the time of its incorporation in 1918 until 1944, when S.M. Christiansen became Chief of Police, Ceres had a one-man police force. That year, the City Council authorized the hiring of two extra officers, but the hiring didn’t take place until the Downtown merchants demanded at least one officer to patrol during the night.

J.M. McGuffey was that man. He only had one arm and juveniles would try to take advantage of his disability, especially on Halloween, as he chased them around town. McGuffey later served as Chief for one year.

No one stayed on the job for long and there was a constant turn-over of personnel. In 1951 a Reserve Officer Unit was formed that helped fill the void from the lack of fulltime Officers.

When Chief Cunningham became Chief, he started with four Officers and a few Reserves.

Did you know….Ceres Police Officer, Loren Hartman was the unidentified gunman who appeared in the opening gunfight scene of every episode of “Gunsmoke?” He served with the CPD from 1970 to 1985 when he was killed in an off-duty motorcycle accident.
Chief Peterson had high expectations regarding the growth of the Department from 1985 into the new century. As seen in this typed document from 1985, the staffing then included 27 Fulltime Officers and 22 Reserve Officers. Peterson projected this number would grow to 81 Fulltime and 63 Reserve Officers by 1995 and 129 Fulltime and 105 Reserves by 2010.

Police Reserve Unit, circa 1970. Includes the first female Reserve Officer, Allita Algeo.

2018 Sworn Personnel:
Chief - 1
Captain - 1
Lieutenants - 3
Sergeants - 9
Detectives - 4
SROs - 4
Patrol Officers - 24
Traffic Officers - 1
Reserve Officers - 2
Before 1983, there had been no official Assistant to the Chief. If the Chief needed work done, he took it to one of the Records Clerks or did it himself.

In 1983, Mary Fenton was given the title of Police Administrative Assistant, Confidential, by Chief Peterson. This was the first time the Department had someone in the official capacity as Assistant to the Chief. When Chief Peterson retired, she stayed in this position under Chief deWerk, until 2009.

Did you know.... Mary holds the record of being the longest serving Employee in the history of the City of Ceres?

Did you know.... Mary Fenton still works for the City of Ceres? In 2009 she moved from the PD to the Finance Department. She was thrown a party on 8/1/18 to celebrate fifty years with the City (see photo above).

She has no plans of retiring anytime soon.
Did you know.... There is no official training geared towards the Chief’s Assistant?

Also, no Assistant to the Chief performs the same duties as their counterpart at a different agency.

To date, each CPD Assistant must learn the job as she goes, with no written guidelines or instructions.

It is the goal of the current Assistant, Marcy Pederson, to write a complete SOP Manual for the Assistant who will replace her when she retires.
The Department's first Clerk/Dispatcher Mary Jo Chubbuck, was hired in 1957. She was the only office person supporting the entire Department. She left in 1967.

Clerk/Dispatcher Kathy Adkins, circa 1970

Records Clerks, Theresa Tejeda, Patty Jackson and Lilia Franco with Support Services Supervisor Cheryl Carpenter and Special Operations Lieutenant Pat Crane, in 2015.

Did you know....prior to the late 1980’s, the job of Records Clerk and Dispatcher were combined into one job classification? By the time the current Police building was completed in 1988, the positions had been split.

2018 Records Unit: Supervisor Sgt. Greg Yotsuya, Theresa Tejeda, Patty Jackson & Evelyn Garcia

CERES POLICE DEPARTMENT 1918 - 2018
Renee Howerton was hired in 1990 as a Police Officer Assistant. Two years later she was promoted to Evidence CSO (Community Service Officer).

An Evidence CSO was not established by the Department prior to the 1980’s. Before that time, a Sergeant would be assigned to be in charge of evidence.

Stories are told of evidence simply being piled on the floor in the 50’s and 60’s due to no shelving or storage being available.

Today, Ceres PD has a large, modern Evidence Locker with both permanent shelves and movable shelving units that run on tracks. It also houses a refrigerator and locked storage for firearms.

Access is limited to our Evidence CSO and her Assistant. Those who visit Evidence must sign in and out every time they enter and leave. Evidence is booked using a state-of-the-art bar-code scanning program.

The standards are high for our Evidence Technician, and the Department is subject to a biennial Evidence Audit conducted by P.O.S.T.
It wasn’t until the 1970’s that the Department had its first full-time Dispatch Center. However, it was manned by the Records Clerks who functioned as Clerks/Dispatchers until the mid 1980’s.

Before the first Dispatch Center was established, the Sheriff’s office provided all of our dispatch services.

Did you know….
911 wasn’t around until the mid to late 1970’s?

Dispatch Center and Dispatch microphone, circa 1960.

Did you know….
In the 1940’s the Sheriff would notify the PD of a situation via call boxes that would light up when the Sheriff was calling? One of these boxes was located at the corner of 4th and Lawrence.
In 1988, the current Police Building was completed and occupied. The Dispatch Center was located on the ground floor, in the middle of the building.

When the building was complete and the move was made from the old Police building, they brought with them their older, antiquated system and furniture.

This was remedied in 2000 when Dispatch was remodeled.

Fifteen years later, Dispatch was once again remodeled. The newest remodel included a new 911 system (paid for by the State of California), a 60” screen for mapping, four 24/7 dispatch chairs, wireless headsets, and brand new furniture. If that wasn’t enough, they also moved into a new location on the second floor of the Police building, which opens up to a balcony above the atrium.

In 2016, after moving to their new location, Dispatch changed from the old CAD (Computer-Aided Dispatch), which had limitations, including the server/hardware being housed in Turlock, to RIMS. This has proven to be a very positive move and is very user-friendly. With this change from CAD, Ceres PD Dispatch is once again autonomous.

We currently have eight full-time Dispatchers and one Reserve.
**Then**

When Chief Cunningham began his career with the Ceres PD, he was “handed the keys to the car, the keys to the Department and a “pinch” (arrest) book.” That was the extent of his training. Today’s training standards for our Sworn Officers is demanding and extensive, as shown below.

**Probationary Period:** The Department’s Probationary Period is one year and an Officer can be released from Probation at any time, for any reason, during this 12 month period.

The first four to six months are spent with a variety of FTOs (Field Training Officers). These Officers have been vetted by the Department and go through additional training to equip them for this position.

**Special Assignment Training:** In addition to the regular trainings, if an Officer is assigned to a Special Unit or Assignment, additional training is required which may include:
- Field Training Officer Training
- Homicide Investigations Training
- Crime Scene Photography Training
- Robbery School Training
- High Tech Crimes Training
- Internal Affairs Investigator Training
- Supervisor School
- Management School
- Critical Incident/Peer Support Training
- Missing & Unidentified Persons Training
- K9 Handler Training
- Range Master Training
- SWAT School

**Getting Hired:** Before the Department will even consider hiring an applicant they must show they have successfully completed a six month regular or four month accelerated course at a Law Enforcement Academy.

**On-going Training:** Our Officers are expected to attend trainings throughout the year. Some are held in-house. Others are held out of town. A training can last as little as half a day up to as long as 6 weeks. Additionally, on-going training is done daily during Shift Briefings and throughout the year in scheduled Department trainings.

The Ceres Police Department looks to P.O.S.T. (Police Officers’ Standards and Training) for many things, most importantly are the training courses P.O.S.T. offers. Some of the trainings for Officers include:
- Perishable Skills
- Range Training
- Interview and Interrogation
- Traffic Collision
- DUI School
- Defensive Tactics
- Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving
- PIT School
- Driving Simulator & Force Option
Did you know....in the early days of the PD, when there were only Constables and Marshals, the City also had a Justice of the Peace - a position that required no law degree?

Probationary Period: Civilian Personnel are also on a one-year probation. Like the Sworn Officers, they can be released from Probation during that 12 month period at any time, for any reason. Most Civilian positions have hands-on, informal training to learn the position.

Civilian Training: Some of the Trainings our Civilian personnel attend include:
- Basic Records Training
- Basic Dispatcher School
- Advanced Dispatcher School
- Public Information Act Training

Did you know....the average time to train a Dispatcher is nine months?

Training standards for our Civilian Personnel can also be quite demanding:

Did you know....P.O.S.T. has over 1,000 training courses available for agencies to use for their Sworn and Civilian personnel?
THEN TECHNOLOGY

Speed Radar Unit used in the 1980’s.

K-band speed radar gun, circa 1990.

Traffic Officer Rick Applegate using his radar gun in 1999.

2018—The department utilizes the Axon Flex 2 Body Worn Camera. This BWC was chosen due to its ability to most closely mimic what the Officer sees with their naked eye.

2018—Radar Gun
2018—Mobile Computers link the Officers with RIMS, providing them, at the touch of a button, with the same information that is available to the Dispatchers.

Mobile Computers, circa 2010. This technology allowed the Officers to look at past history for a certain location, along with a variety of other options.
The CPD SWAT team was formed in 1990 when “Pete” Petersen was Chief. The armored vehicle “Bear” was purchased in 2005 after the death of Howie Stevenson. The SWAT Team trains twice a month and is tested twice a year on their firearms skills and physical fitness.

Did you know….Sergeant Dedra Borges is the only woman to be a member of the SWAT Team? Dedra started with the Department in 1984 and retired in 2012, after 28 years. She was a member of the SWAT Team from 1990 to 1991.
Special Units & Assignments

SCU (Street Crimes Unit)

Started in 2008, the SCU was formed in response to voters passing Measure H, which provided funding for improved public safety services. It started with a Sergeant and three Officers. Later, a fourth Officer was added to the team. It was in existence until 2014, when it was disbanded.

Traffic

The Traffic Unit is responsible for traffic safety in the City of Ceres. This includes all major injury/fatal traffic collisions, all traffic complaints, DUI checkpoints, traffic control at all City events.

2018 County Cite Team
All major felony investigations are handled by the personnel of the Detective Bureau. The men and women of this unit are often involved in cooperative efforts with other county, state and federal organizations. In addition, they work closely with the Stanislaus County DA's Office. The bureau follows up on such crimes as homicide, robbery, sexual assault, computer crimes, burglary, fraud, identity theft and missing children and adults.
The K9 program was started in 1994 by Dedra Borges and John Souza. We currently have four teams that are split between A Squad and B Squad and work different shifts to provide as much department coverage as possible.
The CNT was formed in 1990 and works in conjunction with the SWAT team. The CNT is called out to all high risk search warrants and any other crisis situation that may occur such as a hostage situation. They are on call 24/7.

SROs (School Resource Officers)

Steve Carvalho
Lorenzo Beltran
Dirk Nieuwenhuis
Miguel Villalobos
Although no longer in existence, the Equestrian Unit was part of the CPD in the 1980’s and 90’s.
THEN

VOLUNTEERS, CHAPLAINS & EXPLORERS

2018 Explorer Academy
Volunteers, Chaplains & Explorers

Tim Murillo has faithfully served in the VIPS Program since 1996.

Chaplains Chris Grigson, Gary Wold, Aquiles Rojas and Joel Richards

David McCann, current VIPS Program Coordinator

VIPS Academy Graduates, circa 2016

David McCann, current VIPS Program Coordinator

Chaplains Chris Grigson, Gary Wold, Aquiles Rojas and Joel Richards
Then BADGES & PATCHES

![Various police badges and patches from Ceres Police Department](image-url)
Badges & Patches now

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF SERVICE
Then DEPARTMENT PHOTOS

circa 1979

circa 1985

circa 2005

CERES POLICE DEPARTMENT 1918 - 2018
Department Photos Now

circa 2008

circa 2015

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF SERVICE
WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

George Piro
Started with Ceres PD in 1989.
Joined the FBI in 1999.
Was the Team Leader and Lead Interrogator on the Saddam Hussein Interrogation Team.
Currently is the Special Agent in charge of the FBI Field Office in Miami, FL.

Mike Borges
Started with Ceres PD in 1980.
Retired in 2014, after 34 years with the rank of Deputy Chief.
Three months later accepted the position of Chief of Police in Escalon, CA.

Chief McGill, Chief Borges & Chief Smith
Where Are They Now?

**Louie Arrollo**
Started with Ceres PD in 1964 and retired in 1984.
Retired from Ceres Unified School District in 2001 after serving for 11 years as the Assistant Principal at Ceres High.
Appointed by Governor Gray Davis to the California Rural Development Committee in 2001.

**Adam McGill**
Started with Ceres PD in 1988 as an Explorer Scout.
Worked at the CPD as a Dispatcher and Reserve Officer before being hired fulltime.
Left CPD for Modesto PD where he rose to the rank of Lieutenant.
Served as Chief of Police in Newman from 2008 - 2010.
Worked for the State Department from 2010 - 2012.
Served as the Chief of Police in Truckee from 2012 - 2017.
Currently serves as the Chief of Police in Novato, CA.

**Far left, a very young Adam McGill**
On January 9, 2005 the Ceres Police Department lost, to date, their only officer in the line of duty when Sergeant Howard “Howie” Stevenson was shot and killed. Officers Sam Ryno and Chris Melton were first to respond to a call of a man with a gun in front of George’s Liquors. Andres Raya, an AWOL U.S. Marine and documented gang member was armed with an SKS rifle and opened fire on officers, hitting Officer Ryno and killing Sergeant Stevenson, who arrived to back up Ryno and Melton. The suspect was shot and killed later that night after a multiple-agency manhunt. Officer Ryno recovered from his injuries and retired. He was promoted to Sergeant after his injury, before his retirement.

Sergeant Stevenson served on patrol and was assigned as a Field Training Officer, detective, SWAT member, range master and drug task force member. There is currently a Memorial Grove and Freeway Interchange that are both named after Stevenson. There also is a park named after Sergeant Ryno.

Sergeant Stevenson was a very quiet man. However, when he spoke, people listened. He was a valuable member of the SWAT Team. Stevenson spent a lot of time training younger officers, often during his off-duty time. He was devoted to his family and took many trips hunting and fishing with them. Two trips Stevenson took each year with his co-workers were to Area 51 in Nevada and a camping trip in the Sierra Nevada mountains. There are private memorials in each location made by some of his closest friends and family.
During 2018, our nation buried 163 Officers of varying rank. Two of those Officers were from neighboring agencies in our County: Tony Hinostroza and Ron Singh. These deaths deeply impacted our Department and we were actively involved in both of their memorial services.

Of the remaining 161 Officers, letters were sent by Chief Smith to each Chief, Sheriff, Director, Superintendent, Secretary, Inspector, Colonel, Commissioner or District Attorney who experienced the loss of one or more of their own.

Stanislaus County Deputy Tony Hinostroza was killed in a vehicle crash as he responded to assist other deputies who were involved in a vehicle pursuit. Deputy Hinostroza’s vehicle left the roadway and struck a utility pole. Rescue personnel were unable to resuscitate him at the scene.

Deputy Hinostroza was a U. S. Marine Corps veteran and had served with the Stanislaus County Sheriff’s Office for 19 years. Tony started his journey in Law Enforcement as a Ceres PD Explorer.

Newman PD Corporal Ronil “Ron” Singh was shot multiple times while conducting a vehicle stop shortly before 1:00 am on the morning of December 26, 2018. He was transported to the hospital where he succumbed to his wounds.

The subject fled the scene, but was arrested two days later while attempting to flee back to Mexico.

Corporal Singh had been with the Newman PD for 7 years and left behind a wife and infant son.
2018 Statistics

Crime Statistics

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Arrests

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In 2017, Ceres Police Department partnered with Stanislaus County Behavioral Health and Recovery Services to provide a Drop the Drugs box in the lobby of the Police Department building.

The purpose of the program is to provide the community a safe and secure place to dispose of their old or unused prescription drugs.

In the first four months of 2017, 70 pounds of drugs were collected and destroyed.

This past year, 2018, over 407 pounds were collected and destroyed, proving that this is a viable and important service to the Ceres community.
Did you know...Sergeant Hollie Hall is the only Police Officer to receive Officer of the Year three times: 1976, 1995 and 2002? Sgt. Hall started with the Department in 1972 and retired 34 years later, in 2002.
New Hires & Promotions

Sergeant Vince Hooper

Promotion Date: 3/2/18

Officer Nicolas Welch - Date of Hire: 9/23/18

Officer Kyle Morris - Date of Hire: 9/23/18

Officer Matt Myers - Date of Hire: 9/23/18

Officer Christian Lapinord - Date of Hire: 2/3/18
Ceres Police Mission Statement:
We are committed to partnering with the community to reduce crime and improve the quality of life for our citizens.

Ceres Police Core Values:
- **Pride** - Conveying a sense of positive identity to ourselves, to our organization, and to the community.
- **Integrity** - Doing the right (ethical) thing, even when no one is watching or when it is not easy.
- **Excellence** - High personal and professional standards and work ethic; dependable; committed to seeing the job through.
Ceres Police Department Retired Sgt. Fred Perez passed away on Monday, February 5, 2018. He served the Ceres Community with honor as a Police Officer and Sergeant from 1977 before honorably retiring in 2002. Sgt. Perez was a mentor to many officers with whom he worked.

First and foremost he was a great family man who spent countless hours with his family off duty. In his later years, he loved to come by and catch up with fellow co-workers. He was truly a gentleman and served his country in the United States Army. Sgt. Fred Perez will be sorely missed. He was 72 at the time of his sudden death.

Services were held on February 15th at St. Jude’s Catholic Church in Ceres followed by a graveside service at Ceres Memorial Park.

At 1:07 pm on February 14th, an American flag was raised and lowered in honor of Sgt. Perez. 107 was his ID number at CPD.

Sergeant Patrick Sullivan started his career with the Ceres Police Department on May 1, 1984. He retired on January 18, 2018 after almost 34 years with the Department. During his tenure here he had the following Ranks and Assignments:

- Patrol Officer
- Field Training Officer
- Detective
- SCDEU (Stanislaus County Drug Enforcement Unit)
- Corporal
- Patrol Sergeant
COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT
Community Involvement

2018
Celebrating 100 Years of Service

Community Involvement

School Visit

Police Officer Memorial Run

Dennis Wallace Memorial Golf Tournament

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF SERVICE
Come out and meet your Ceres Police Officers

**National Night Out**

**Tuesday, August 7, 2018**

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Whitmore Mansion

The goal of National Night Out is to bring the community the Police Department together for crime prevention.

For more information, contact:
David McCann
209-538-3624
david.mccann@ci.ceres.ca.us

**Coffee with a Cop**

**Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2018**

Farmer Boys
3908 Mitchell Road

7 am to 9 am

The mission of Coffee with a Cop is to break down the barriers between police officers and the citizens they serve by removing agendas and allowing opportunities to ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know the officers in your neighborhood.

This event is presented by the:
Ceres Police Department

Guests may please contact:
Lt. Chris Perry
cperry@ci.ceres.ca.us
COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

CERES POLICE COMMUNITY
BLOOD DRIVE

CERES COMMUNITY CENTER
2701 4TH ST, CERES
Tuesday, August 21st
11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Emergency Need: Citing all donors. There is an especially need for blood donors.

All presenting donors will receive a $5 Amazon.com eGift Card™ AND T-SHIRT!

For an appointment, please visit redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code: Police or call 1-800-733-2767.

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Blood Drives

Beards for Kids & Shop with a Cop

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF SERVICE
Thank you cards and poster from a cute Daisy Troop!

Cookies and thank you poster from Sinclair Elementary

Pizza Party from Ceres Pro Tow
Nuts, nuts & more nuts from a grateful citizen

Hotdog Lunch sponsored by Home Depot

Darrah Street BBQ with Jameo Walker
Kidnapped puppy waiting for his rightful owner to retrieve him. We all wanted to keep him.

Lost dog found in front of the department. She was able to jump counters in a single bound!

Shirley from HR
Did you know….at one point in history, the Department had three brothers as Sworn Officers?  
Dennis Perry  
Chris Perry  
Derek Perry  

Dennis retired from the CPD in 2016.  
Derek left in 2015 to work for Tracy PD.  
Chris is the only remaining Perry brother and holds the rank of Lieutenant.
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We will set the standard for best practice police services in the Central Valley.

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