

# OGUNQUIT POLICE DEPARTMENT



# POLICE NEWSLETTER



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## CHIEF'S MESSAGE

As the warmer weather approaches, we want to welcome back our residents (snowbirds), business owners, visitors, and seasonal workers. Ogunquit is one of the most popular tourist destinations in the State of Maine. The Ogunquit Police Department prides itself in its community policing principles. We strive for a strong relationship with our community and its visitors.

We participate in numerous programs to enhance the quality of life for our community. A few of our programs are:

- Free bicycle helmets for any child riding Ogunquit's roads.
- The "Night Light Bike Program" allows bicyclists to obtain a light for their bicycles at *no cost* from Hut Sixty 6 (requires a voucher card provided by one of your police officers).
- "Tuesday Morning Coffee" where we welcome anyone to have a cup of coffee, on us, and discuss any problems or concerns you may have with our Community Policing Officers. Dates, times, and locations will be posted in future newsletters or on flyers around town.

*Chief Patricia Armandin*

## NEWS AND EVENTS

### STORM OF FEBRUARY 2010

According to Central Maine Power, the storm that struck Maine at the end of February was the 5th worst in 25 years. York County was determined to be the hardest hit area. The following is a comparison to the ice storm of 2008.

	<u>December 2008</u>	<u>February 2010</u>
CMP Customers Without Power	220,000	133,000
Utility Poles Knocked Out	170	310

### CAPTAIN THOMAS ROAD BURGLARIES

In November of 2009 and April of 2010, two separate residences on Captain Thomas Road were burglarized with various items of value taken. In the November incident, entry was forced into the residence and seven firearms were taken. The April incident involved the theft of a 32" LCD HDTV, among other items. Residents are advised to ensure that doors/windows are locked while away and alarm systems are in proper working order with contact info up-to-date with the alarm company.

## BUILDING NUMBERS

**EVERYONE** is reminded that if you own/rent a house or business in-town, the building/house number **MUST** be clearly displayed. In the event that you require emergency/non-emergency assistance, not having your address number clearly displayed could result in delayed response time from your police/fire/medical personnel.

- ⇒ If the structure is within 50 FT of the road, your house number should be displayed on the front of the residence or a structure near the front entry.
- ⇒ If the structure is beyond 50 FT from the road, your number should be displayed on a mailbox, fence post or on some structure by the property line.

## COMMUNITY WATCH

**IF YOU NOTICE SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD** get a detailed description of what is occurring, any license plate #'s, vehicle/person description and dial **911** immediately to have an officer investigate the activity. The Ogunquit Police cannot function without the assistance of concerned and responsible citizens. We are depending on **YOU** to call and tell us whenever you see suspicious persons or activity. Don't worry about "bothering" the police, it's our job.



**OGUNQUIT POLICE DEPARTMENT**

20 Cottage Street  
Ogunquit, ME 03907

**Emergency: 911**

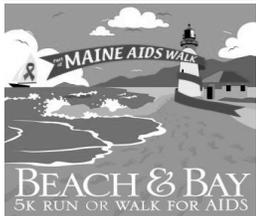
Dispatch: 207-646-9361  
Office: 207-646-9362  
Fax: 207-646-5761

**Town Info**

Fire Dept.....207-646-4947  
Transfer Station.....207-646-0478  
Land Use Dept.....207-646-9326  
Town Clerk.....207-646-9546

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**BEACH & BAY 5K / WALK FOR AIDS - OGUNQUIT**

WHERE: Ogunquit Beach WHEN: Saturday, May 1, 2010 10:00 a.m. Registration / 11:00 a.m. Start

**OFFICER PROFILE**

Part-time Reserve Officer Steven Grasso has worked for the Ogunquit Police Department since he graduated from Northeastern University in June of 2008 with his Bachelors degree in Legal Studies. R/Officer Grasso also serves with the US Army Reserves and will be deployed to Afghanistan this fall. Recently, R/Officer Grasso was hired full-time by the Knox County, Maine Sheriffs Department as a Deputy Sheriff in the Patrol Division.

R/Officer Grasso has assisted in many programs that the Ogunquit Police Department offers to the community and has been a valuable member of this department. On a personal note, R/Officer Grasso is an avid sports and motorcycle enthusiast. We want to wish Deputy Sheriff Steven Grasso the best of luck with his new department and a safe return from his upcoming tour of duty.



R/Officer Steven Grasso

**COMMUNITY POLICING OFFICERS**

The Ogunquit Police Department actively seeks the input and talents of all members of the community in an effort to safeguard our town. It is a collaborative effort between the police and the community to identify problem areas and also areas that need improvement to prevent crimes from occurring. If you have a concern, idea, improvement or think an issue in Ogunquit needs to be addressed, please feel free to contact one of your Community Policing Officers so we can work with you, and other members of the community to remedy the problem.

-Sgt. Shawn Fahy: sgtfahy@maine.rr.com

-Off. Bryan Tedesco: offtedesco@maine.rr.com

-Off. David Keith: offkeith@maine.rr.com

-Off. Alex Smith: offsmith@maine.rr.com

-Or stop into the Police Station



**Across**

- York County Superior Court is in this town.
- Closes road in an emergency.
- Number of chevrons worn by a Sergeant.
- Captain Winn's first name.
- Secures boats in Perkins Cove.

**Down**

- Eaten boiled, grilled, fried, or baked.
- Street number of Ogunquit PD on Cottage Street.
- Ogunquit Sewer District is on \_\_\_\_\_ Lane.
- This river flows into Perkins Cove.
- I95 crosses into Canada here.