

# THE DISPATCH

The University of Scranton Police Department



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## A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

by Chief Donald Bergmann

On September 21, 2023, the University experienced a bomb threat, which was immediately determined to be, a low-level threat. The threat arrived by email and referenced all school districts. As is protocol, a group of university administrators from the Incident Management Team gathered, this time with the University President. After learning from the FBI that the threat originated out of South America it was decided not to cancel classes or evacuate. The likelihood of the threat being real was unrealistic or nonexistent.

Then on September 29th we received confirmation from the Pa Criminal Intelligence Center that a Peruvian national was arrested in Lima, Peru for making threats to multiple school districts, synagogues, airports, hospitals, and shopping malls in multiple states. For some, to keep campus open and continue with classes was unexpected. As always, the University will evaluate the credibility of the threat and determine the appropriate response. Helping educate the University Community regarding this process has been incorporated into our Emergency Response training.



# Please join us in welcoming our new staff member to the University community.



I my name is Shawna Bower I am a recent graduate of the Lackawanna Police Academy in September 2022. I started my career with the Exeter Borough Police Department. I also work part-time with Moosic Borough Police Department. In my spare time I enjoy working out and spending time with family and friends.

Keith White is a University of Scranton alumnus, where he earned a BS in Criminal Justice with a minor in Sociology. Keith comes to the University with over 20 years of prior law enforcement experience and is a certified EMT. He enjoys traveling, boating, and spending time with family and friends. Keith is excited to return to campus to serve the university community!"



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## Student Officer Program



The Student Officer Program started their training during August 2023! The training provided the 13 members of the Student Officer Program with a good baseline of skills needed for the remainder of the semester. Once the semester started, members of the program participated in move-in day, the Mass of the Holy Spirit, and National Coffee with Cops Day. In the future, the officers will be helping out with events such as Open Houses, Preview Day, and Spring Fest. The Student Officers are also still looking to recruit anyone interested in joining the team. Looking forward, the Student Officer Program will be adding training to our regiment so we can better serve the University of Scranton community!



## Fall Emergency Response Training



## Alcohol Awareness Week

### University Police collaborated with the Center for Health Education and Wellness



## Fall Pedestrian Safety Event



## National Coffee with Cops



## First Aid/CPR/AED Training



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## Parking & Transportation Services



University Police and Parking Service would like to introduce the new Parking and Transportation Hybrid Service Van. This hybrid van is a symbol of progress and a move towards a greener and cleaner future for campus transportation.

The Parking and Transportation van will provide medical transports on campus and used to monitor and enforce parking rules and regulations in campus parking lots.

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