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Annual Assembly Inspections Begin

Within the last month, all Special Operations Group (SOG) North SAVE, HIT and Fatal 4 members, as well as Troop 3 Operations, stood at parade rest during their annual assembly inspections.

Assembly inspections help verify that the work units comply with ADM-006 and assist SOG Command in holding supervisors at all levels accountable for this compliance. Properly executed inspections are instrumental in establishing unity and standards with the Illinois State Police

Troopers had plenty of advance notice of the event, for which they receive grades of superior, satisfactory or unsatisfactory.

Captain Alex Diaz and Acting Lieutenant Tim Mayerbock attended the assembly inspection to evaluate compliance with directives, policies, and procedures.

Captain Patrick Manno of Troop 3 offered words of praise, "The amount of pride our troopers from Troop 3 have shown throughout the inspections so far, is immeasurable, and I am

extremely proud of our personnel. The command staff has done an outstanding job with these inspections, as an all hands on deck approach."





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Team Illinois Youth Police Camp—Carbondale













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June 10-14, 2024 Touch of Nature, Makanda, IL









In Memoriam: Billy L. Stanhouse

Billy L. Stanhouse, Sr., 80, of Du Quoin, passed away at 8:47 P.M., Monday, June 24, 2024, at the Illinois Veterans Home in Anna, IL.

He had been a State Trooper with the Illinois State Police and retired as a Master Sergeant after 32 years. He also worked as an investigator with the Illinois State Police. He worked as a CSO at the Benton Federal Court House. Billy was a United States Air Force Veteran and served in the Vietnam Era as an E-4. He was a member of the St. John's United Church of Christ. He was an avid St. Louis Cardinals fan.

He was born January 27, 1944 in Du Quoin, IL, the son of William K. "Winks" and Opal "Pat" (Mezo) Stanhouse.

Billy married Caren Jane Harsy on December 19, 1997 in Du Quoin, IL and she survives.

He is survived by his wife of Du Quoin, two sons - Billy L. (Celeste Bullar) Stanhouse, Jr. of Du Quoin and Colin Stanhouse of Du Quoin, six grandchildren - Taylor Stanhouse of Du Quoin, Alicia (Taylor) Pyatt of St. Louis, MO, Kaleb (Mackenzie) Stanhouse of Du Quoin, Devin Stanhouse of Du Quoin, Caelen Stanhouse of Gulf Breeze, FL, and Kearstin Stanhouse of Du Quoin, two great grandchildren - Zoe Stanhouse and Ariella Stanhouse, three sisters - Nancy (Richard) Peck of Johnson City, Sandy McCrary of

Pinckneyville, and Dorothy (Leo) Perkey of Du Quoin, sister in law - Connie (Philip) Flint of Du Quoin, several nieces and nephews, and his cats and dogs.

Billy was preceded in death by his parents and one son - Tyler Stanhouse.

Graveside services will be at 10:00 A.M., Saturday, June 29, 2024 at the Hallidayboro Cemetery with Rev. Robert Morewell officiating.

Friends may call from 9 AM until the time of service on Saturday at the Hallidayboro Cemetery. Burial will be in the Hallidayboro Cemetery. Military graveside rites will be conducted by the Du Quoin V.F.W. and American Legion and the United States Air Force.

Friends may make memorials to St. John's United Church of Christ, Southern Illinois Hospice, or Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research and will be accepted at the funeral home.

Searby Funeral Home in Du Quoin is in charge of arrangements.

https://www.searbyfuneralhomes.com/obituary/billy-l-stanhouse

ISP Combats Interstate Shootings with Technology

License plate readers lead to identification in more than 80% of interstate shootings

SPRINGFIELD – In 82% of interstate shootings this year, automated license plate readers (ALPRs) have helped Illinois State Police (ISP) identify an individual involved in or who witnessed the shooting. That jumps to 100% for fatal interstate shootings.

"The use of automated license plate readers has been a game changer in investigating interstate shootings, as well as vehicular hijackings and thefts," said ISP Director Brendan F. Kelly. "They provide us vital leads for our investigation, allowing us to track the events immediately leading up to and following the shootings to identify the vehicle involved. The license plate readers are an invaluable tool that assists us in identifying violent crime suspects."

ALPR technology and intelligence can help ISP identify offending vehicles involved in shootings within minutes. The vehicle registration from the offending vehicle can then be entered into the ALPR alert system and officers could potentially locate that vehicle within a few hours. The ALPRs are a crucial resource that allows ISP to proactively police and evolve with new criminal trends. The following are some recent examples in which ISP has utilized ALPRs for success.

- Special agents investigating a fatal interstate shooting identified and interviewed a witness who
 indicated the driver of a vehicle shot at the victim in what appeared to be a road rage incident.
 Using ALPRs, ISP was able to identify the vehicle and the investigation ultimately resulted in
 charges of First Degree Murder and Unauthorized Use of a Weapon by a Felon.
- A trooper monitoring the ALPRs received an alert of a stolen vehicle. The trooper attempted to

ISP Combats Interstate Shootings with Technology, continued

make a traffic stop, at which time the vehicle sped away. When the vehicle stopped, everyone in the vehicle took off running. One person had a rifle inside their waistband and was taken into custody. In searching the path of another person running, ISP found two additional firearms.

- ISP received a report of an alleged vehicle hijacking. In an attempt to identify a suspect, special agents spoke with a witness and after reviewing ALPR images during the time of the alleged hijacking, special agents confirmed the vehicle had not been hijacked, but instead was involved in a police pursuit with another agency and a hit and run crash the night of the alleged hijacking.
- ISP responded to an interstate shooting where the victim was almost struck in the head by a bullet. Troopers entered the victim's registration into the ALPRs, and with ALPR intelligence, were able to identify the offending vehicle. A few hours later, troopers received an ALPR alert of that vehicle and were able to locate it. Troopers initiated a traffic stop and took the driver into custody, during which time they found a loaded firearm inside the driver's waistband.
- A trooper monitoring ALPRs received an alert of a stolen vehicle. The trooper located the vehicle
 and attempted to make a traffic stop, at which time the vehicle sped off. Ultimately, ISP was able
 to recover the vehicle and took two people into custody and recovered five firearms.

From January 1 – May 31, 2024, ISP took enforcement action with the use of ALPRs in at least 260 investigative cases.

The funding and installation of ALPRs stem from the Tamara Clayton Expressway Camera Act (Expressway Camera Act), which was signed into law on July 12, 2019 and became effective on January 1, 2020. On February 4, 2019, Ms. Clayton was on her way to work when she was tragically shot and killed while driving on I-57 near Cicero Avenue. ISP investigators responded and the investigation into her death remains open and ongoing.



In February of 2021, ISP received a \$12.5 million grant to cover the costs of engineering, permitting, and labor associated with the purchase and installation of readers, controllers, servers/software, electrical power, and communications equipment required to install ALPR systems. The images from these cameras are not used for petty offenses, such as speeding. In 2022, the Tamara Clayton Act was expanded with an additional \$22.5 million for equipment and installation in additional counties.

In 2021, ISP installed approximately 100 ALPRs along I-94. By the end of 2022, 289 ALPRs were installed in the Chicago area. In 2023, ISP installed 139 additional ALPRs in Champaign, Cook, Morgan, and St. Clair counties. In 2024, ISP plans installations in Macon, Madison, Peoria, Bureau, Lake, and Winnebago counties, with additional cameras potentially in Boone, DeKalb, DuPage, Grundy, Henry, Kane, Kendall, LaSalle, McHenry, Rock Island, Sangamon, and Will counties, and Lake Shore Drive in Chicago. More information can be found on the ISP <u>Automated License Plate Reader Transparency Page</u>.

Listen to Director Brendan Kelly talk to Tom Ackerman and Megan Lynch on 'Total Information AM' about the use of license plate readers and what that has done to increase solving interstate shootings investigations: https://omny.fm/shows/total-information-am/automated-license-plate-readers-has-decreased-inte

ISP Seeking Help from the Public in Kewanee Homicide

KEWANEE – The Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) Zone 2 and the Henry Mercer County Investigative Task Force is requesting assistance in locating a person of interest.

On June 8, 2024, the Kewanee Police Department responded to a welfare check in the 800 block of West Division Street. Upon arrival, officers discovered an unresponsive male individual who was pro-



nounced deceased. On June 11, 2024, ISP agents were requested by the Kewanee Police Department to assist with a homicide investigation. After a thorough investigation, 26-year-old James Reed III from Kewanee, IL, has been identified as a person of interest. Agents are actively trying to locate Reed.

Please do not approach Reed. Anyone with information regarding this homicide, please contact Illinois State Police Sgt. Tad Nelson of the Zone 2 East Moline Major Crimes at 309-752-4915, ext. 4933, Crime Stoppers of the Quad Cities tip line at 309-762-9500 or utilize the P3 Tips app. If your information results in an arrest, you may be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$2,500. All tips provided to Crime Stoppers are kept anonymous.

Giannoulias Awards Grants to Combat Carjackings, Car Thefts

Over the past 3 years, ISP has increased

anti-violence enforcement efforts along

Chicago area expressways using technolo-

gy, air operations, canines, an increased

patrol presence. This grant from the Sec-

retary of State will allow ISP to focus addi-

tional resources on prevention and investi-

gative follow-up for vehicle thefts, hijack-

ings, and other related violence crimes.

Law Enforcement Agencies to Receive More than \$11 Million Statewide

On June 26, 2024, Illinois Secretary of State Alexi Giannoulias announced more than \$11 million in new grants to assist law enforcement agencies throughout the state in protecting against the surge in carjackings and vehicle thefts.

The Illinois Vehicle Hijacking and Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention and Insurance Verification Council, which Giannoulias' office oversees, distributed grants to six law enforcement agencies that can start using the funds July 1. To fund the

grants, the insurance industry provides \$1 for every passenger vehicle it insures to the Secretary of State's Office. "These grants are a matter of public safety and provide our law enforcement agencies with the personnel, tools and tech resources they need to help safeguard residents from the rise of violent carjackings

and car thefts," Giannoulias said. "For many of us, our vehicle serves as a lifeline. We depend on it for work, running errands, shuttling our kids around to practices and camps and visiting loved ones. To have it stolen can have terrible consequences for families and upend their lives. This taskforce plays a critical role by ensuring local, state, and federal law enforcement officers

must work together to address these crimes."

"To stop crime you have to solve crime – and to solve crime you have to have resources," said Illinois State Police Director Brendan F. Kelly. "This grant funding will allow the Illinois State Police to focus additional resources on catching those committing vehicle thefts,

hijackings and other related violent crimes."

Law enforcement agencies can use the awards for salaries and benefits for personnel assigned to vehicle theft prevention units, vehicles, computers, vehicle tracking devices, GPS data, evidence kits, body cameras

Giannoulias Awards Grants to Combat Carjackings, Car Thefts, cont'd

and drones for aerial vehicle searches. The grant funding enabled law enforcement agencies to expand access to dedicated vehicle theft investigators and prosecutors at their local state's attorney office. Law enforcement can use the money to hire dedicated auditors to verify scrap shops and body shops are not using stolen parts or metal. The additional funding has also enabled law enforcement agencies to work collaboratively with federal and local units to address instances of title fraud and investigate cases of fraudulent vehicle identification numbers (VIN) before vehicles can be resold or recover vehicles fraudulently sold. Grant funding has also been used





2021. Videos demonstrating how to steal certain car models have gained popularity in recent years, making it easier for those trying to steal a vehicle, the Council's 2023 report found.

From 2019 to 2022, the Council issued \$24 million in grants and recovered \$92 million worth of stolen vehicles, meaning the return on investment for stolen vehicle recovery is \$4 for every \$1 spent on grant funding. The 11 members of the Council are dedicated to finding the best strategies to prevent carjackings, vehicle theft and recyclable metal theft.

to expand operations to address cargo theft, where vehicles such as semitrucks are stolen for their goods. One task force recovered a stolen trailer containing medical supplies. The Council's prevention efforts have more than halved annual theft rates since 1991 from more than 75,000 stolen vehicles to less than 30,000 in 2021. While crime rates have surged in recent years due to economic disruption caused by the pandemic, the rates are still nowhere near what they were when the Council was created. In 2022, the most recent vehicle theft data, there were 38,649 thefts statewide, an increase of more than 10,000 cases compared to the year prior. More than 22,000 of the thefts occurred in Chicago that year, where thefts doubled compared to

Grants were awarded to:

- Tri-County Auto Theft Task Force (TCAT), City of Joliet Illinois Statewide Auto Theft Task Force (ISATT)
- Chicago Major Auto Theft Investigations Unit (CMATI), Chicago Police Department
- Metro East Auto Theft Task Force (MEATTF), St. Clair County Sheriff's Department
- Greater Peoria Auto Crimes Task Force (GPACT),
 Peoria Police Department
- Expressway Safety Enforcement Group (ESEG), Illinois State Police

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June 1, 2024

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Thank you for your continuing support of the Illinois State Police Heritage Foundation. Your fundraising efforts are invaluable and assist the Foundation with achieving its mission. In an effort to maintain consistency among fundraising activities and provide necessary guidance, the Foundation adopted a policy outlining the procedures for use of its logo and authority. Because these fundraising events represent the Foundation, the Foundation assumes a fiduciary duty and must ensure compliance with its legal charter, bylaws, strategic plan and policies, as well as the laws of the state of Illinois as they pertain to a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

Therefore, the Board must approve all fundraising efforts undertaken on behalf of the Foundation. Please submit a written request through a Foundation Board member including the point of contact, contact information, description of and reason for the event, and any other pertinent information. Additional details and information can be found within the following policy:

https://www.isphf.org/wp-content/uploads/ISPHF-Use-of-Authority-Policy-FINAL-20200414.pdf

We sincerely appreciate your willingness to support the Foundation and hope we can assist with your fundraising endeavors. For more information or if you have any additional questions, please contact the Foundation at 217/525-1922 or visit our website at ISPHF.org.

Respectfully,

Ron Cooley President

In Memoriam: James E. Miller

It is with deep sympathy the Division of Forensic Services, Forensic Sciences Command announces the passing of Mr. James E. Miller, 76 of Navarre, Florida, formerly of Arnold, Missouri.

Mr. Miller is the father of **Office Specialist Jena Baumann** and Father-in-Law of **Digital Forensics Examiner Kip Baumann**.

Mr. Miller passed away peacefully at his home on Thursday, June 13, 2024. He served in the Army National Guard of Missouri and the Army Reserves from 1967 to 1973, during which he was a military policeman. He is survived by his wife, Joyce, their six children, 13 grandchildren, and four greatgrandchildren.

In Memoriam: Roger Jerome Waldrup

It is with deep regret to inform you of the death of Mr. Roger Waldrup, father of **retired Master Sergeant Kelly Waldrup** and father-in-law of **retired Special Agent Melissa Uhles**. Prayers and thoughts are with the Waldrup Family.

Roger Jerome Waldrup ~ April 30, 1938 - June 13, 2024

Funeral services were held at Pyatt Funeral Home, Coulterville, IL, on Monday, June 17, 2024with Pastor DeLaron Douglas and Brother Mark Lee officiating. Interment was at Coulterville City Cemetery, Coulterville, IL.

In Memoriam: Bruce Voges

It is with deep condolences Troop 7 announces the passing of Bruce Voges, 98 of St. Joseph, Illinois.

Mr. Voges is the father of **District 10 Sergeant Michael "Micky" Voges** (ret.) and father-in-law of **Zone 5 Sergeant Susan "Sue" Voges (deceased).**

The family will greet friends for two hours beginning at 10AM, on July 6, at Freese Funeral Home, 302 E. Grand, St. Joseph, IL 61873.

https://www.freesefh.com/obituary/Bruce-Voges



ISP Announces Results of Metro East Violent Crime Suppression Detail

EAST ST. LOUIS – The Illinois State Police (ISP) conducted a violent crime suppression detail on June 20-22, 2024, in St. Clair and Madison counties, focusing its efforts on East St. Louis and neighboring Metro East communities. The operation utilized intelligence and technology to target known high crime areas, violent offenders, and structured criminal groups in the communities of the Metro East.

There were several notable events and arrests during the detail.

On June 20, 2024, troopers attempted a traffic stop on a stolen Hyundai. The vehicle fled, but with the assistance of air support the vehicle was located in Cahokia Heights. Three suspects were taken into custody and two firearms were recovered; one firearm was reported stolen.

On June 21, 2024, troopers made a traffic stop on a vehicle for an IVC violation. The vehicle fled to the area of 74th St. and Eureka Ave. in East St. Louis, where three subjects fled on foot. Two of the subjects were taken into custody and three firearms were recovered.

On June 22, 2024, troopers observed two juveniles walking in middle of the road, near 25th St. and Louisiana Ave. in East St. Louis. Troopers approached the juveniles and they fled on foot. Both juveniles were taken into custody and two stolen firearms were recovered.

More than 25 officers from around the state, including ISP Troop 8, ISP South Fatal Four Team, ISP Division of Criminal Investigation Zone 6, ISP Public Safety Enforcement Group, and ISP Air Operations joined forces with the ISP Special Operation Group Statewide Anti-Violence Enforcement Unit for the multi-day operation. The ISP Firearms Investigations Unit provided additional support during the operational period.

ISP will continue to use all available resources, including air operations, technology, forensic services, investigators, increase patrols, and information sharing to combat violent crime.

Detail Results	
Arrests	15
Felony Charges	19
Criminal Charges	33
Firearm Related Charges	22
Firearms Seized	12
Controlled Substance Seized	28 grams

ISP Brings Interdiction For Protection of Children Training to Illinois

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigation Trafficking Enforcement Bureau, in partnership with the Texas Department of Public Safety, provided Interdiction for the Protection of Children (IPC) training this week for front-line officers to recognize signs a child may be a victim, at-risk of victimization, or missing.

"Human trafficking survivors are often children and vulnerable to exploitation or other victimization," said ISP Director Brendan F. Kelly. "The Interdiction for the Protection of Children specialized training gives our officers the tools they need to identify at-risk and exploited children, and bring those committing these heinous crimes to justice."

Officers are well trained and highly proficient in making observations of suspicious behaviors, leading to arrests and successful interdiction of illicit drug, weapon, and currency. The IPC program builds on those skills and trains officers to identify and rescue endangered or exploited children, and recognize indicators of those who pose a high-risk threat to children.

Law enforcement agencies, the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS), and child advocacy centers (CAC), attended the training, which uses a victim-centered approach to pro-



tect children and a proactive approach to identifying those who offend against children.

"Responding with an informed, caring and healing centered approach to the trauma that our children who have experienced human trafficking may be facing is of upmost importance to our team," said DCFS Director, Heidi E. Mueller. "We are proud to be partnering with the ISP, CACs and local law enforcement to learn what we need to do to help our children and provide them with the necessary resources they need to recover and begin healing."

IPC training covers understanding victim and offender dynamics, legal obligations, authority, working with children, understanding indicators of trafficking and smuggling children, information sharing, identifying local, state, and federal resources, working with multi-disciplinary teams, social services, and non-governmental organizations. IPC uses a multi-disciplinary approach to training by including local, state, and federal governmental and non-governmental organizations as partners during training and operations.

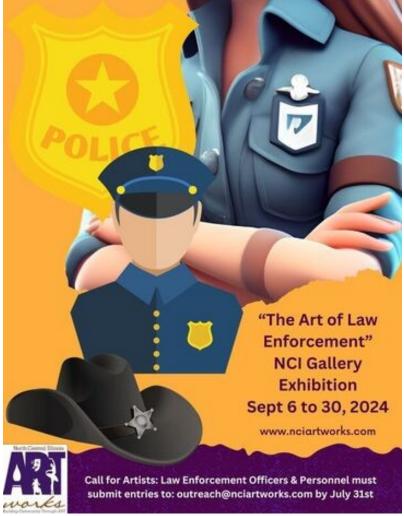
A total of nine local law enforcement officers, 62 DCFS employees, 31 child advocates, and 86 ISP officers successfully completed the two-day basic course, followed by a three-day train-the-trainer IPC course, and will provide this training statewide to additional personnel across these agencies. Human trafficking is the use of force, fraud, or coercion to compel a person into commercial sex acts, labor, or services against their will. ISP continues its multifaceted approach toward protecting those most vulnerable with its ongoing statewide human trafficking enforcement operations. The signs of human trafficking can be subtle; to learn more, please visit Recognizing the Signs | National Human Trafficking Hotline. If you suspect human trafficking, contact the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-888-373-7888 or text 233733. For more information visit www.humantrafficking-hotline.org.

You can also email ISP.CrimeTips@illinois.gov.

The Art of Law Enforcement—Call for Artists

North Central Illinois ARTworks would like to invite law enforcement officers and personnel from LaSalle, Bureau, and Putnam counties to participate in a tri-county exhibition showcasing "The Art of Law Enforcement."

Every September, NCI ARTworks hosts a special art exhibition that focuses on an important historical person or organization/agency in the tricounty area. This year, we have decided to showcase art by members of the law enforcement community as a way to strengthen bonds between the agencies and the communities they serve and to showcase the artists themselves. This letter serves as a Call for Artists who are interested in showing their work at this exhibition.



Any law enforcement personnel, retired or current, including civilian employees, are invited to submit their art for consid-

Artists may submit the following types of art for inclusion in the exhibition: Acrylic or Oil paintings, wood working, wall and freestanding sculptures, pottery, metalwork, and photography. The deadline for image submissions is Wednesday, July 31, 2024. Images should be submitted via email to: outreach@nciartworks.com

We look forward to honoring our law enforcement officers and personnel at the NCI ART-works Gallery in the west wing of the historic Westclox Building (400 5th St., Peru) at "The ART of Law Enforcement" exhibition, which will run from Friday, September 6th, through September 30th 2024. Please make sure to save the date for the artists' opening reception in honor of the exhibitors on Friday, September 6th, from 6 to 8pm.

www.nciartworks.com

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Dog Days of Summer - Meet K-9 Axel

Axel and his handler, Trooper Nicholas McMillen (Troop 8), have been patrolling together since May 2023. While with ISP, Axel has assisted in numerous gun seizures, removed illegal drugs off the streets, and has helped to track/apprehend criminals involved in vehicle pursuits who have fled from traffic stops.

Trooper McMillen recalls the time he and K9 Axel were called to track a suspect who shot a 21 -year-old and a 5-year-old. He said, "The suspect fled on foot outside the back of a residence. Axel and I arrived on scene and began the track. Within 8 minutes, Axel tracked into a wooded area, located the suspect, and we were able to take her into custody."

K9 Axel's favorite off duty activities include obedience training in the backyard with his Kong toy and going on runs.







American Legion/ISP Youth Camp in Springfield

ISP and the American Legion teamed up again this year to host the American Legion Youth Police Camp (ALYPC) at the Illinois National Guard Academy at Camp Lincoln in Springfield.

This week-long residency camp was structured to promote educational and learning opportunities for cadets in the areas of law enforcement, military, leadership, cultural diversity, personal development, physical fitness, as well as social and interpersonal skills.



ISP Family Builds Angelic Legacy

Troop 6 Sgt. Brandon Douglas shared these photos taken at Mounted Angels in Pike County, Illinois.

About Mounted Angels, he writes, "My parents Dennis and Judy Douglas along with Ed and Judy Schlieper started this program approximately 33 years ago. I grew up helping. My 17-year-old daughter is now a certified instructor for the program along with my parents and several other volunteers.

"Mounted Angels is a riding program that happens every June and July on Thursday evenings from 6:00-8:30 pm at the Pike County Fairgrounds in Pleasant Hill, IL. This program is open free of charge to any mentally or physically disabled child who has not graduated from high or reached the age of 18.

"I try to show up in uniform once or twice a year as it makes for a positive experience for these children and their families in a controlled environment."

Thank you, Sgt. Douglas and family, for making the world a better place for those with disabilities.



Sgt. Brandon Douglas and his father, retired ISP employee Dennis Douglas (leading horse), along with daughter/ granddaughter Ava Douglas (left side, red shirt) helping a client get accustomed to riding



Sgt. Douglas, daughter Ava Douglas, and a Mounted Angels client



Sgt. Douglas and a Mounted Angels client





Trooper Marvin C. Archer

End of Watch June 18, 1946

Trooper Marvin C.
Archer was shot and killed after he and his partner stopped a car for questioning in Paxton, Illinois. As the troopers approached the vehicle the driver jumped out and yelled his passenger had a gun. As Trooper Archer approached the car to arrest the second suspect he was shot in the chest and killed.

Trooper Archer had served with the Illinois State Police for five years and was assigned to District 21.



Master Sergeant Stanley Talbot

End of Watch: June 23, 2001

Master Sergeant Stanley Talbot died from injuries sustained from being drug by a driver who was fleeing a roadside safety checkpoint.

The incident occurred in Rock Island, Illinois, at 15th Street and 2nd Avenue. As the vehicle neared the checkpoint, Master Sergeant Talbot approached it and became entangled with the car as the driver fled the scene. Master Sergeant Talbot was dragged approximately half a mile before falling from the vehicle.

The driver of the vehicle was apprehended two weeks later and charged with two counts of murder.

On August 28, 2002, the driver was convicted of reckless homicide and leaving the scene of an accident. He was sentenced to 12 years in jail but was paroled in November 2005 after serving only 4 years.

Master Sergeant Talbot was a 26-year veteran of the Illinois State Police and planned to retire in six months; He was assigned to District 7, Rock Island.

Master Sergeant Talbot was survived by his wife and daughter, who are both members of the Illinois State Police, and a son who serves with the Collinsville Police Department.



Trooper First Class Ryan Matthew Albin

End of Watch: June 28, 2017

Trooper First Class Ryan Matthew Albin was killed in a vehicle crash on I-74, near milepost 155, in the area of Farmer City at approximately 3:10 pm.

His patrol car collided with a box truck as the vehicles reduced speed for slow moving traffic in a construction zone. He was flown to a local hospital where he succumbed to his injuries.

Trooper First Class Albin's canine was transported to a veterinary hospital with minor injuries.

Trooper First Class Albin had served with the Illinois State Police for 11 1/2 years and was assigned as a canine handler in District 6.



Trooper James Sutton

End of Watch: June 30, 1932

Trooper James Grady Sutton and Chief Daniel Law, of the Harrisburg Police Department, were shot and killed during an arrest.

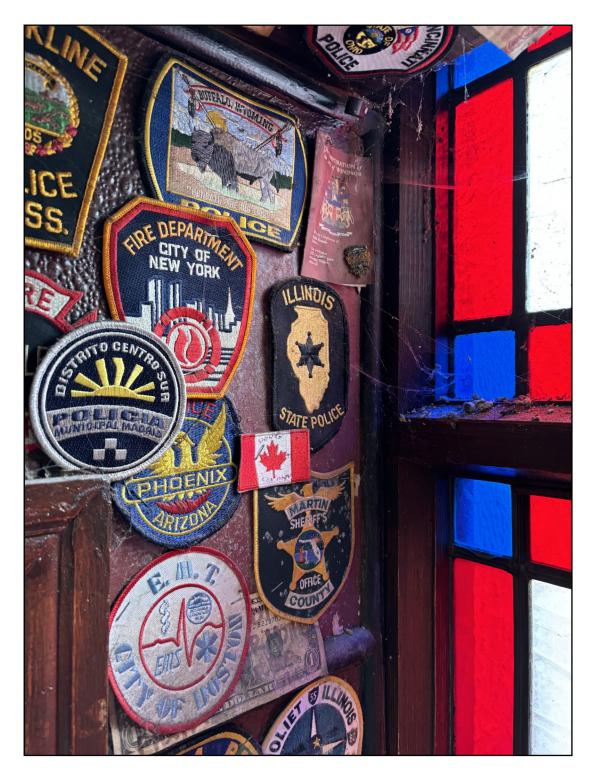
As Trooper Sutton and Chief Law were escorting three suspects in a stolen car to jail, the violators drew weapons and opened fire on the officers.

The officers stopped the vehicle at Poplar and Vine Streets, directing the driver to City Hall for further questioning. Trooper Sutton stood on the left running board and Chief Law on the right running board of the vehicle. As the vehicle approached City Hall, the driver stepped on the accelerator and the men drew weapons, killing both officers.

Trooper Sutton was struck in the chest and fell to the street near City Hall. Before being shot in the head and body, Chief Law was able to cling to the vehicle for four blocks, exchanging gunfire with the suspects and killing one of them until finally dropping from the vehicle.

Trooper Sutton died from his wounds following emergency surgery shortly after midnight. The suspect killed by Chief Law was found in the abandoned vehicle ten miles north of Harrisburg. The other two fugitives were later captured in Virginia and returned to Illinois for trial where they both received life sentences.

Trooper Sutton and Chief Law were buried in adjoining plots in Sunset Lawn Cemetery in Harrisburg. Trooper Sutton was a 3-year veteran of the Illinois State Police. He was survived by his wife.



On a recent trip to Dublin, Ireland, Ms. Caroline Williams snapped this photo of an ISP patch featured on a law enforcement patch wall at The Brazen Head, the oldest bar in Dublin.

Caroline is the daughter of ISP retiree/contract employee Frances Williams and the granddaughter of Dwight Pitman, former ISP Superintendent (1971-1977).

Throwback Photo



Tollway Speed Check Squad Car

Congratulations, May 2024 retirees!

Laroy Thompson Telecommunicator Specialist

Specialist 6 Years, 9 Months

George Halsey Sergeant, #4996 25 Years, 2 Months **Akil Smith** Colonel, #5397 22 Years, 4 Months

Isaiah Vega Colonel, #4958 25 Years, 7 Months

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