

Welcome to the inaugural edition of the 10-43 Retiree Edition

The reputation of the Illinois State Police (ISP) as a premier law enforcement agency is based on the hard work and contributions of its sworn and code personnel, both current and retired. The success of the agency is dependent upon the men and women who come together and work across geographical and divisional boundaries to serve and protect the citizens of Illinois.

For years, ISP has utilized its internal newsletter, the 10-43 (police code for information), to share contributions towards ISP's mission and goals, and to celebrate significant life events of ISP staff.

I'm happy to announce the establishment of the ISP 10-43: Retiree Edition. The 10-43: Retiree Edition, a bi-weekly newsletter, will provide retirees- those who built the solid foundation on which we now operate- with current happenings within ISP. It will include success stories, personnel news, and general information about what is happening at ISP.

A lot has happened at the ISP over the past five years. We celebrated our 100th anniversary as an agency, our divisional structure changed to better meet the public safety needs of today's society, more than 500 new officers have joined our ranks, the old 21 districts were combined into 10 Troops, and a successful focus on criminal interdiction continues to advance. We are building new Troop, Zone, and forensic facilities, decreasing forensic backlogs, and expanding enforcement efforts from traffic to trafficking. Organizational evolution is all aimed at one thing: fighting crime. And we want to make sure you're aware of these changes and current ISP events.

On behalf of the men and women who currently make up the rank and file of the ISP, thank you for passing along a legacy of Integrity, Service, and Pride.

Brendan F. Kelly
Director, Illinois State Police



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Western Illinois University Mock DUI

On April 22, 2024, Troop 4 Troopers Michael Mueller and Steven Huffman volunteered to assist with a mock DUI presentation at Western Illinois University. The Mock DUI is an annual event designed to illustrate the gravity of drinking and driving. It serves as a reminder of the potential consequences of such actions. Additionally, this event offers valuable preparation for students aspiring to become first responders, exposing them to the realities they may encounter in such situations. The mock DUI involved a drunken woman who caused a head-on collision with a car full of teenagers. In the scenario, one teen was killed, while four others were hurt, with one of them being taken by air evac to the hospital.

Illinois State Police, McDonough County Sheriff's Department, Macomb Police and Fire Departments and the McDonough District Hospital all re-

sponded to the event if it were real.

"This event is a realistic, eye-opening look into the consequences of drinking and driving and how that decision can have life-altering consequences for everyone on the road. Western EMS partners with several local agencies to show the emergency response to save lives in accidents like these," Special Projects Officer Charlie Gass said. "Western EMS is excited to host the Mock DUI scenario each year. We welcome all members of the public to attend this beneficial, educational event."



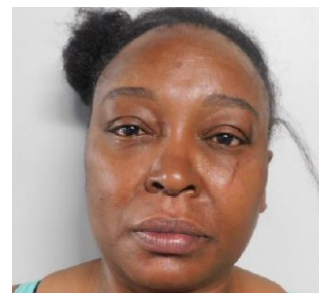
ISP Arrests Cahokia Heights Woman for Nightclub Murder

EAST ST. LOUIS – The Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) Public Safety Enforcement Group arrested 45-year-old Lakecia S. Cole of Cahokia Heights, IL for First Degree Murder (Class M Felony).

On May 13, 2024, ISP agents were requested by the East St. Louis Police Department to assist with a homicide investigation that occurred at Another Level Nightclub in the 600 block of Martin Luther King Drive. The victim, 39-year-old, Danielle R. Williams of East St. Louis, IL had been shot outside the nightclub and later pronounced deceased.

After a thorough investigation, with assistance from the East St. Louis Police Department, the case was presented to the St. Clair County State's Attorney James Gomric, and the above-mentioned charge was filed against Cole on May 14, 2024.

Cole was currently in-custody during the issuance of charges. No further information is available.



ISP Arrests Flora Man for Predatory Criminal Sexual Assault of a Child

FLORA - Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigation Zone 8 announces the arrest of 26-year-old Braxton D. Allen of Flora, IL, for Predatory Criminal Sexual Assault of a Child (Class X Felony).

On April 11, 2024, ISP was requested by the Flora Police Department to conduct an investigation into an alleged Predatory Criminal Sexual Assault of a Child which occurred between May 1, 2021, and May 31, 2021, in Clay County. After a thorough investigation, agents presented the findings to the Clay County State's Attorney. On May 13, 2024, Braxton D. Allen was formally charged with two counts of Predatory Criminal Sexual Assault of a Child and was taken into custody on an arrest warrant by Flora Police Department. Allen was transported to the Clay County Jail where he remains in custody with no bond.

ISP was assisted by the Flora Police Department, Wayne County Sheriff's Department, and Illinois Department of Children and Family Services. No further information is available.



Troop 6 Big Truck Night

Sergeant Brad Wassell and Trooper Wayde Smith took the ISP Command Vehicle to Pittsfield last week for Pikeland CUSD 10 Big Truck Night. This gives students the opportunity to look at and around these large commercial vehicles and how they operate.



42nd Annual ISP Bass Fishing Tournament

On Saturday April 27, 2024, Troop 9 hosted the 42nd annual ISP Bass Fishing Tournament. This event was held on Newton Lake in rural Jasper County. This year 45 teams participated in the event. One of the requirements of this event is that one person of the two-person team must be associated with law enforcement. \$10 per entry along with some donations taken during the day of the event is donated towards St. Jude's Children Research Hospital. This year \$500 was donated to St. Jude. The top 10 finishers collected some prize money and plaques.

- 1st place: Jr. Willis (retired Effingham PD), Derick Holmes 24.02 lbs
- 2nd place: LeAnn Bradley (IDOC), Kyson Bradley 23.57 lbs
- 3rd place: Jackson Martin (IDOC), Lane Bradley 21.29 lbs
- 4th place: Preston Street (IDOC), Mindy Street 20.84 lbs

- 5th place: Greg Coker (Newton PD), Jesse Kocher 17.70 lbs
- 6th place: Brandon Kronewitter (IL Dept Juvenile Justice), Drew Johnson 17.29 lbs
- 7th place: Dale Milam (retired IDOC), Ken Milam 17.04 lbs
- 8th place: Alex Rodgers (Christian Co probation), Mike Miller 17.01 lbs
- 9th place: David Hyatt (retired IDNR Police), Chris Bradley 16.13 lbs
- 10th place: Aaron Musgrave (IDOC), Alex White 15.48 lbs



In Memoriam: K9 Kaos

Canine Kaos 8/3/12--5/8/24

Graduate of Canine Class 70 - Trooper Jordan Jackson
Graduate of Canine Class 80 - Special Agent Josh Ushman
Started fall of 2014 – retired summer 2020

Trooper Jordan Jackson and K-9 Kaos graduated from Canine Class 70 and routinely patrolled the 5 counties of Central Illinois in Troop 8 including Macoupin, Montgomery, Greene, Calhoun, and Jersey. K-9 Kaos was a full-service canine trained in narcotic odor detection, tracking, articles, and criminal apprehension. Throughout his career, K-9 Kaos was utilized in a multitude of endeavors including drug searches, school searches, building searching and clearing. Most notably, apprehending the suspect of a motor vehicle theft in Montgomery County and a large United States Currency seizure on I-55 in 2017.

In 2019, K-9 Kaos was assigned to his new handler, Special Agent Josh Ushman and graduated from Canine Class 80. Special Agent Ushman worked K-9 Kaos in the 5 counties of Western Illinois in Troop 4 including Fulton, Hancock, Henderson, McDonough and Warren. Special Agent Ushman and K-9 Kaos conducted many demonstrations for schools and civic events. K-9 Kaos worked with ISP SWAT, US Marshal Service, DEA, SCIDTF, WCITF, and many other agencies. Throughout his career, K-9 Kaos assisted in the seizure of approximately 7 pounds of cocaine, 17 pounds of methamphetamine, 4 pounds of heroin, 2750 pounds of black-market cannabis, 27 firearms, and \$232,550.00 of USC.

After retirement, he enjoyed spending time with the Ushman family. Kaos was truly “man’s best friend” and will be greatly missed.



ISP Investigation into Bomb Threat at Two Buildings Leads to Arrest

ISP implements response protocol for threats to state employees and facilities

SPRINGFIELD – After an extensive Illinois State Police (ISP) investigation into a bomb threat at two state facilities in Springfield last month, 23-year-old Gabrielle Williams was taken into custody on, May 9, 2024.

On April 22, 2024, the Illinois Department of Human Services received a call from an individual saying a bomb had been installed at a public aid office building and the Illinois State Capitol. This threat was relayed to the ISP Statewide Terrorism and Intelligence Center, which implemented the State Agency Facility and Employee (SAFE) Threat Protocol. The Secretary of State (SOS) Capitol Police and its Hazardous Device Unit quickly cleared the grounds of the Capitol, while ISP and the Springfield Police Department secured the other state facility until the SOS Hazardous Device Unit could clear that building. The SAFE Threat Protocol also triggered an investigation by ISP special agents. Using cellular information and conducting interviews, ISP special agents were able to identify and locate the suspect.

“ISP took immediate action upon receiving information about this bomb threat and implemented our SAFE Threat Protocol,” said ISP Director Brendan F. Kelly. “Deploying ISP resources as quickly as possible allows our special agents to track down crucial information, identify suspects, and make arrests. ISP and our law enforcement partners in Springfield take every threat seriously and will track down and arrest those responsible for this criminal conduct.”

The SAFE Threat Protocol has three main objectives:

- capture, assess, and route threat information
- investigate threats towards state employees, offices, and executives
- maintain a comprehensive understanding of the material reported and outcomes

“I want to thank our Secretary of State Police, Illinois State Police, and Springfield Police for collaborating on this investigation and making an arrest,” said Illinois Secretary of State Alexi Giannoulias. “We take the security of the Capitol Complex and the safety of its employees, public officials, and visitors extremely seriously. We will never tolerate threats of violence and will do everything within our power to hold those responsible and accountable for their actions.”

Williams is being held in the Sangamon County Jail pending a pre-trial detention hearing. ISP thanks the various local, state, and federal law enforcement partners, including the U.S. Marshals Service, who assisted during the investigation and arrest of Williams.

All subjects are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

ISP Arrests Chicago Man for Aggravated Battery of IDOT Employee

CHICAGO – Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigation Zone 1 East Violent Crimes Unit arrested 25-year-old Angel Martinez of Chicago, IL. Martinez was charged with Aggravated Battery with a Deadly Weapon (Class 3 Felony), Aggravated Battery Against an Emergency Management Worker (Class 3 Felony) and Failure to Report an Injury Crash (Class 2 Felony) stemming from a hit and run crash which left an Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) employee injured.

On May 11, 2024, at approximately 5:47 a.m., ISP was notified of a hit and run traffic crash that occurred on Interstate 90 southbound at the Hubbard Street cave in Chicago. A vehicle was stopped in lane 4 and an IDOT employee responded and attempted to wake up the driver. The vehicle immediately fled the scene, striking the IDOT employee. The IDOT employee was injured and transported to an area hospital. The driver of the

car that fled was identified as Angel Martinez. After an extensive ISP investigation, Martinez was taken into custody on May 14, 2024, by ISP agents.

On May 15, 2024, the Cook County State's Attorney's Office approved the above charges. No further information is available.



Goreville Man Sentenced to 50 Years for Johnson County Murder

JOHNSON COUNTY – Illinois State Police Division of Criminal Investigation Zone 7 and Johnson County Sheriff's Office conducted an exhaustive investigation that led to a 50-year sentence for First-Degree-Murder and Aggravated Battery with a Firearm.

On February 23, 2024, 71-year-old Larry D. Cavitt of Goreville, IL was found guilty of the above charges relating to the murder of 51-year-old Joseph E. Geyman. On May 17, 2024, Cavitt was sentenced to 50 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections. The sentence includes 25 years for First Degree Murder plus an additional 25 years due to the statutory firearm enhancement.

The sentencing comes after an August 28, 2021, request by the Johnson County Sheriff's

Office to investigate the death of Geyman, which had occurred in the 6000 block of Dutchman Lake Road, Tunnel Hill, IL. The suspect, Larry D. Cavitt, was arrested on August 28, 2021 by ISP agents, with the assistance from the Johnson County Sheriff's Office.



In Memoriam: K-9 Sarge

Canine Sarge 11/01/12---5/2/24
Graduate of Canine Class 71
Started spring of 2015 – retired fall 2021

Special Agent Lance Ormond and K-9 Sarge routinely patrolled the 5 counties of west central Illinois in Troop 6: Adams, Pike, Scott, Brown, and Schuyler. K-9 Sarge was a full-service canine trained in narcotic odor detection, tracking, articles, and criminal apprehension.

Throughout his career, Special Agent Ormond and K-9 Sarge served on the Crowd Control Team and were deployed for Civil Unrest Incidents, Fights, Detention Center Riots, Correctional Center Escapees, and Man Hunts. K-9 Sarge conducted demonstrations for schools and civic events. K-9 Sarge was utilized in all kinds of endeavors including drug searches, school searches, building searching and clearing. Most notably, Sarge apprehended a suspect in an active home invasion in Brown County in 2018.

K-9 Sarge worked with ISP SWAT, US Marshal Service, FBI, DEA, ATF, Zone 4, WCITF, and many other agencies. K-9 Sarge assisted in the seizure of approximately 5 pounds of cocaine 7 pounds of methamphetamine, 3 pounds of heroin, 1750 pounds of black-market cannabis, and 500 cartons of Missouri tax stamped cigarettes.

After retirement, he enjoyed spending time with the Ormond family, playing with kids, and wouldn't miss an opportunity to chase squirrels out of the yard.



ISP Announces Charges for Possession of Child Pornography

SPRINGFIELD – Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) officials announce criminal charges against 19-year-old Jason F. Christian from Roodhouse, IL, for Possession of Child Pornography (Class 2 Felony).

On October 9, 2023, ISP DCI Zone 4 Agents initiated an investigation after learning a subject was possessing child pornography on an online platform. During the investigation, ISP Investigators assigned to the Office of the Illinois Attorney General Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC) gathered digital evidence indicating that Christian was possessing child pornography from his residence in Greene County.



On May 15, 2024, the Greene County State's Attorney's Office charged Christian with Possession of Child Pornography. Christian was issued a summons and notified of his first appearance on June 3, 2024.

The Illinois State Police provide the following resource for parents, for the public to report crimes against children, and victims to start their path towards healing and recovery. Anonymous tips of child pornography can also be reported through the NCMEC CyberTipline at www.cybertipline.com. To keep kids safe online, learn more at: <https://illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/online-safe/>; www.cybertipline.org ; For resources for survivors of sexual abuse visit: <https://www.missingkids.org/gethelpnow/csam-resources> .

All subjects are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

13 Officers From Across Illinois Receive Law Enforcement Medal of Honor

SPRINGFIELD – Governor JB Pritzker, Illinois State Police (ISP) Director Brendan F. Kelly, the Law Enforcement Medal of Honor Committee, and law enforcement officials from across the state honored the acts of heroism performed by local and state officers during the Law Enforcement Medal of Honor Ceremony today in Springfield. The Law Enforcement Medal of Honor Committee awarded 13 officers from four agencies the Medal of Honor in recognition of their brave and sacrificial service to the citizens of Illinois.

"Those we honor today have not only met the extraordinary obligations of their oath of office, but they have gone above and beyond the call of duty to protect our communities. We are forever grateful for their heroism," said Governor JB Pritzker. "We also mourn with those who have lost loved ones in the line of duty and we hope that today's ceremony offers families solace in knowing that Illinois stands with them. May the memory of our heroes be a blessing."

The Medal of Honor is awarded to officers who have been killed or seriously injured in the line of duty, or who have displayed exceptional bravery or heroism while performing their duties as a law enforcement officer.

"Today we recognize and thank these courageous officers for their unwavering bravery in the face of danger," said ISP Director Brendan F. Kelly. "Although these officers were in different situations, in different parts of the state, the outcome was the same – without hesitation, they prioritized the safety of the community over their own lives, and for that, we are eternally grateful."

The Law Enforcement Medal of Honor Committee was established in statute through the Law Enforcement and Fire Fighting Medal of Honor Act in 1990. Current committee members include ISP Director Kelly, Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board Executive Director Keith Cal-

loway, Chicago Police Department Superintendent Larry Snelling, DeKalb Police Department Chief David Byrd, retired ISP Master Sergeant and St. Clair County Coroner Calvin Dye, and Lake County Sheriff John D. Idleburg.

Last year's event was the first ceremony held since 2016 and honored 136 recipients from 41 law enforcement agencies across the state, covering 2017-2022. The 2023 recipients for the Law Enforcement Medal of Honor being honored this year are:

Belvidere Police Department

Officer Joseph W. Danielak

Officer David G. Ellingson

Officer Christopher R. Garcia

Officer Joseph M. McDermott

Officer Dillon R. Rackley

Officer Zachary C. Reese

Officer Mark R. Weiland

On March 31, 2023, a tornado struck the Apollo Theatre in Belvidere, causing the 3rd floor roof to collapse onto a crowd of people who were inside attending a concert. These Belvidere officers arrived on scene and immediately joined in the search and rescue operation, pulling multiple patrons from the rubble.

Chicago Police Department

Officer Reynol Cuéllar De La Cruz

Officer Maximo Mora

Officer Julio Zavala

On October 7, 2023, these Chicago Police officers were riding together in a squad car, responding to a call of a "person shot" and a fleeing suspect vehicle. As the officers' squad car approached the suspect's vehicle, the suspect swerved into the squad car, striking it head-on. All three officers suffered extensive injuries that required lengthy recoveries. Assisting officers were able to take all the suspects into custody and recover multiple firearms.



Illinois State Police

Trooper Timothy W. Harper

Sergeant Boguslaw H. Kramarz

On May 9, 2023, Trooper Harper stopped to assist a vehicle on Interstate 64 in Jefferson County. The two occupants falsely identified themselves multiple times and Sergeant Kramarz arrived as back-up. Officers determined the male suspect had an active warrant for a firearms offense, and the officers attempted to take him into custody. The suspect violently resisted the officers attempts before producing a firearm and shooting Sergeant Kramarz in the head. Trooper Harper returned fire, ending the threat, and then rendered aid to Sergeant Kramarz.

Lake County Sheriff's Office

Deputy Andrew T. Martini

On October 18, 2023, Lake County dispatch received a 9-1-1 call from a woman who stated her husband had attempted to kill himself with a knife and needed medical attention. Deputy Martini arrived on scene and attempted to provide medical aid to the injured suspect when the suspect suddenly grabbed a knife and attacked Deputy Martini. The Deputy retreated and began to direct the family to safety when the suspect advanced on them again. Deputy Martini fired at the suspect to stop the threat, and then provided aid to the man until paramedics arrived.

In Memoriam

It is with deepest sympathy, the Division of Patrol, Troop 4, announces the passing of **Debra White**. Debra is the mother of Troop 4 Trooper Ryan F. White #7434 and the wife of Retired District 8 Trooper Colin White #3263.

Mrs. White passed away on May 21, 2024, surrounded by her loving family. There will be a private family graveside service. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Please keep Trooper White and his family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Illinois State Police sergeant honors late father, serves with pride himself

By David Blanchette, *The Source*

The recent May 2 Illinois Police Officers Memorial Ceremony means something special for Keith Dorwart because the name of his late father, Morgan County Sheriff's Deputy Craig Dorwart, is inscribed on the memorial at the State Capitol in Springfield.

"That memorial ceremony also holds a really high meaning to me because it's not just my dad, it's all of those officers throughout the history of Illinois who gave their lives in the line of duty," Dorwart said. "We need to keep their memories alive, the impact their lives made in their communities."

Dorwart is a law enforcement officer himself and serves with the Illinois State Police Major Crimes office in Springfield. Since 2019 he has also been part of a team that assists families in dealing with the line of duty deaths of their law enforcement spouses or children. Both his job and his volunteer service for law enforcement families feel like a calling for Dorwart.

"I'm not the guy that's going to write 50 speeding tickets a day. That's not who I am," Dorwart said. "But the State Police have given me the opportunity where I can help people on their worst day."

The 33-year-old Dorwart, who grew up in Waverly, hardly got to know his father before the April 5, 1994 accident on a snowy day that claimed his dad's life. Still, one of his earliest childhood memories was the night that his family received the terrible news.

"I remember that something wasn't right. My grandpa was there and a clergy member, and some other people who shouldn't have been there at that time of night," Dorwart said. "Later as a kid I knew that my dad was in a crash and it was snowing really bad, and my family has always stuck by the belief that the accident was nobody's fault."

Dorwart attended a summer camp in Missouri and then Wisconsin when he was in elementary school that was specifically for the children of officers killed in the line of duty. The camp allowed him to connect with other kids who were in a similar situation, and it helped Dorwart to understand the sacrifices that law enforcement families must be willing to make.

There was never any doubt that Dorwart would become a law enforcement officer himself when he grew up. Dorwart dressed as an undercover cop for Halloween one year, and Waverly Police Officer Larry Page and Morgan County Chief Deputy Kim Troyer were always around to encourage him. Both officers had worked with Craig Dorwart before he was killed.

Troyer introduced Keith Dorwart, then a freshman in high school, to the annual Cycle Across Illinois fundraising bicycle ride that was started in 2005 by the Concerns of Police Survivors (COPS). Dorwart joined the ride that year on the 30-mile leg from Jacksonville to Springfield.

"I got around those guys and they told me how important it was to see me doing the ride, that it motivated them," Dorwart said. "They got to see where their hard work and money was going."

"For me it was a way to connect to law enforcement on an emotional level, and the guys took care of me," Dorwart said. "If we struggled with the wind we worked through it as a team. The law enforcement community took care of the law enforcement families. I have a whole community I can fall back on as a resource because my dad can't be here for me."

Dorwart graduated from Waverly High School and the University of Illinois, then did some internships with the Illinois State Police. He served as a Knoxville, Tennessee police officer for four years and returned to Illinois in 2017 to attend the State Police Academy in Springfield.

Dorwart patrolled in the Joliet and then Champaign areas for the State Police before joining the investigations unit in the Champaign area. In 2020 he transferred to the Major Crimes Office in Springfield



(From left) Sergeant Keith Dorwart, his wife, Joslyn Dorwart, his mother, Carrie Dorwart and his children.



Illinois State Police Sergeant Keith Dorwart stands near the sign that honors his late father

and currently holds the rank of sergeant there.

"I can be a positive influence and interact with people in the community on a day to day basis, just like my dad did," Dorwart said. "I grew up with what other people told me about my dad, about how his impact continues to have a lasting impression today. The importance of that cannot be overstated."

One proud, and poignant, part of his career has been that Dorwart got to serve at one time with the Central Illinois Enforcement Group, the same drug-fighting unit that his father served with decades ago.

Dorwart now resides in Pawnee but frequently returns home to Waverly where he is greeted by the signs along Route 104 at the edge of town that read, "Deputy Craig A. Dorwart Memorial Highway."



Craig Dorwart holds on to his young son, Keith, around 1994.

"This town and this community continue to honor him and those signs are a reminder of that," Dorwart said. "We couldn't ask for a better community. Their support has been huge."

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Sgt. Keith Dorwart appeared on Fox & Friends First on Tuesday, May 14, 2024, to discuss his volunteer work with C.O.P.S. (Concerns of Police Survivors).

Watch the clip at this link:

<https://www.foxnews.com/video/6352947762112>

Near right: Sgt. Keith Dorwart with Fox & Friends First co-host Todd Piro.

Far right: Sgt. Keith Dorwart, Andrea Arrington, and Todd Piro on the Fox & Friends First set.



Special Olympics Cop on a Rooftop

2024 marked the 21st Anniversary of the Dunkin' and Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Illinois partnership. This partnership has been a huge success over the years; in fact, more than \$8.7 million has been raised in Illinois! The 2024 Cop on a Rooftop event took place on Friday, May 17, 2024, from 5:00 am to noon to rally support for Special Olympics athletes. Coupons and branded merchandise were given to those who donated to the cause.

Cop on a Rooftop is a fun, unique, and easy way to raise money for the athletes of Special Olympics Illinois.



Troop 2 collected \$1,250 in cash and had additional online donations



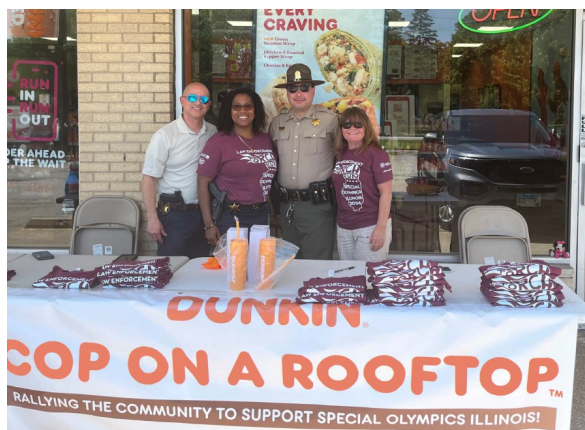
ISP SWAT collected \$2,238 at their location in Rockford



Special Olympics Cop on a Rooftop, continued



Troop 4 at the Macomb Dunkin' Donuts location raised \$2,528 for Special Olympics



Division of Internal Investigation
Northern Command participated in two
locations (Des Plaines and Downers
Grove), raising \$4,942.



ISP Investigates Officer Involved Death in Marion

MARION – The Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigations Zone 7 was requested by the Williamson County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) to investigate an officer involved death.

On May 26, 2024 at approximately 12:50 a.m., officers from the Herrin Police Department, assisted by the Energy Police Department and WCSO were in pursuit of a fleeing motorcycle in Herrin. The motorcycle continued fleeing eastbound on Illinois Route 13 and collided with a stationary WCSO squad car at the intersection of Illinois Route 13 and Carbon Street in Marion. The driver of the motorcycle was pronounced deceased at the scene.

ISP is leading the investigation. No additional information will be released at this time.

ISP Investigates Officer Involved Shooting in E. Alton

EAST ALTON – The Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigations Zone 6 was requested by the East Alton Police Department (EAPD) to investigate an officer involved shooting that occurred May 23, 2024 at approximately 11:31 p.m. Officers responded to a call of shots fired in the 200 block of Lakeside Avenue, East Alton.

Preliminary investigative findings indicate members of the EAPD, and Bethalto Police Department were exiting their vehicles in the area of the shots fired call, when they were fired upon from a subject inside the residence. Officers returned fire with no officers injured. The subject barricaded himself into his residence and the EAPD requested assistance from the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System (ILEAS) Special Response Team (SRT). SRT located the subject inside his residence with a suspected self-inflicted gunshot wound.

On May 24, 2024 the Madison County Coroner conducted an autopsy on the body of 47-year-old Shannon Musgraves of East Alton, IL and confirmed cause of death was a self-inflicted gunshot wound and the sole gunshot wound sustained during the incident.

ISP continues to investigate the officer involved shooting and will provide its findings to the Madison county States Attorney's office for review once complete. The investigation is ongoing and no additional information is available at this time.

Trooper Baker Gives Memorial Day Address



Trooper Marc Baker, Troop 8 Collinsville, served as the keynote speaker for the Memorial Day Ceremony in Raymond, Illinois.

Trooper Baker is a veteran of the United States Army and was requested by the local American Legion Post to provide the Keynote Speech at this community event on Monday, May 27, 2024.



ISP's Leadership in Sexual Assault Forensic Work Recognized

Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault presents awards to ISP Director and Deputy Director

SPRINGFIELD – Illinois State Police (ISP) Director Brendan F. Kelly and ISP Division of Forensic Services Deputy Director Robin Woolery today accepted Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault (ICASA) Moxie Awards for their exemplary work on behalf of sexual assault survivors. Under the Governor JB Pritzker administration, and Director Kelly's and Deputy Director Woolery's leadership, ISP has been able to comply with the Illinois Sexual Assault Evidence Submission Act for the first time since it went into effect in 2010.

"I wish to congratulate Director Kelly and Deputy Director Woolery for each receiving this award and for their work on behalf of survivors," said Governor JB Pritzker. "Under their leadership, our state forensic laboratories cleared a massive backlog of DNA evidence—helping sexual assault survivors pursue justice. They also enabled our laboratories to process current cases within 180 days by hiring additional personnel, acquiring state-of-the-art robotics to speed up turnaround time, and implementing new software to make our laboratories as efficient as possible."

ICASA gives Moxie Awards to individuals who have worked to improve services to sexual assault survivors in Illinois, whether that be through advocacy, counseling, public policy, volunteering, or other avenues. Director Kelly and Deputy Director Woolery were honored for their work with the Illinois Forensic Science Commission and its impact on sexual assault investigations/cases across the state.

"ICASA is proud to recognize Illinois State Police Director Brendan Kelly with a Moxie Award," said ICASA Chief Executive Officer Carrie Ward. "Director Kelly's leadership on the Illinois Forensic Science Commission reflects his steadfast commitment to eliminating barriers that hinder access to justice for sexual assault survivors and other victims of violent crimes. Combined with his previous role on the prior statewide Sexual Assault Working Group while serving as St. Clair County State's Attorney, Director Kelly continues to prove himself as both a partner and a leader in the antiviolence movement."

Director Kelly was also recognized for his work with the Joint Sexual Assault Task Force, and in general, for his efforts supporting rape crisis centers and improving sexual assault survivors' interactions with law enforcement.



Command Officer's Association Holds Legislative Breakfast

ISP thanks all legislators who attended our recent legislative breakfast hosted by the ISP Command Officer's Association. ISP takes pride in being responsive to the public and the changing safety needs of Illinois communities. ISP heard first-hand from those elected to represent the people about their concerns and priorities and legislators heard from ISP about the demands and challenges of pursuing justice. Working together, we can make communities safer.



ISP Makes Arrest for Possession of Child Pornography

BUSHNELL– Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) Zone 4 arrested 24-year-old Jacob A. Mills of Bushnell, IL for ten counts of Possession of Child Pornography (Class 2 Felony).

On May 29, 2024, ISP conducted a residential search warrant in Bushnell, Illinois. Evidence of child pornography was gathered as a result of the

investigation and search warrant. ISP agents took Mills into custody and transported him to the McDonough County Jail. The McDonough County State's Attorney approved the above-mentioned charges against Mills. No further information will be disseminated. The Illinois State Police were assisted by the West Central Illinois Task Force and Bushnell Police Department.

ISP Makes Aggravated DUI Arrest in Fatal Wayne County Crash

KEENES – Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigation Zone 8 announces the arrest of 35-year-old Johnny E. Green of McLeansboro, IL for Aggravated Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol (Class 2 Felony) and Reckless Homicide (Class 3 Felony).

On May 24, 2024, ISP Troop 9 responded to a fatal crash involving a Polaris Razor side-by-side on County Road 70 North near County Road 425 East in Wayne County. The Polaris Razor was traveling westbound on County Road 70 North and ran off the south edge of the roadway and rolled over. During the rollover, the front seat passenger was ejected from the vehicle and was pronounced deceased on scene. Green was identified as the driver of the Polaris Razor.



On May 29, 2024, the Wayne County State's Attorney charged Green with Aggravated Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol and Reckless Homicide. Green is being held at the Wayne County Jail.

DNA Analysis Leads to Charges in 1966 Calumet City Cold Case

Calumet City Police submitted items of clothing from the scene of this 1966 Murder case to the Illinois State Police Forensic Science Center at Chicago for DNA testing. Analysts tested the case using current DNA technology, including STRmix and Parentage Analysis to provide a probative link to the suspect, leading to his arrest.

Full story at:

<https://www.cbsnews.com/chicago/news/james-barbier-charged-1966-murder-stabbing-karen-snider-cold-case/>

Bucket Dump for Special Olympics

Trooper Marc Baker, Troop 8 Collinsville, participated in an ice bucket "Polar Plunge" in Spring-



field to raise money for Special Olympics. This event took place at a law enforcement training facility in Springfield on May 25, 2024, and consisted of representatives of the Leland Grove Police Department and the current part-time academy class Trooper Baker was teaching on this day. This event, like the Polar Plunge and Torch Run, help raise funds to finance the Special Olympic games every year. Trooper Baker is a great supporter of Special Olympics

and raises thousands of dollars every year for the Special Olympics athletes.



ISP Change of Command Ceremony

On May 30, 2024, ISP celebrated the careers of two dedicated officers and welcomed two new leaders.

After more than 25 years of service to ISP, Division of Statewide 9-1-1 Deputy Director Colonel Isaiah Vega is retiring. Lieutenant Colonel Mike Gillock has been appointed to the rank of Colonel and will serve as the new Deputy Director of the Division of Statewide 9-1-1.

After more than 22 years of service, Division of Internal Investigation Deputy Director Akil Smith is retiring. Lieutenant Colonel Thé Tran has been appointed to the rank of Colonel and will serve as the new Deputy Director of the Division of Internal Investigation

We look forward to the leadership of Colonel Gillock and Colonel Tran to ensure strong emergency communications and unimpeachable integrity within ISP. And we congratulate and thank Colonel Vega and Colonel Smith for their many years of distinguished service to people in Illinois.



Far left: Colonel Akil Smith and Colonel Thé Tran

Left: Colonel Isaiah Vega and Colonel Mike Gillock

*Below: a bird's eye view of the
Change of Command Ceremony*





Sergeant Rodney Miller

**End of Watch:
May 12, 2006**

Sergeant Rodney Miller was killed in a traffic accident near Bondville, Illinois.

Sergeant Miller was driving west on Champaign County Road when his car was struck by a southbound car. The other driver was airlifted to Carle Hospital in Urbana, where she was treated and released.

Sergeant Miller was a sixteen-year veteran of the Illinois State Police.

He was survived by his wife, two sons, parents, and sister.



Trooper Frank Dunbar

**End of Watch:
May 14, 1972**

Trooper Frank Dunbar was killed in an auto accident near Benton.

Trooper Dunbar was in his marked patrol car when a 19-year-old man began to pass another vehicle in the oncoming lane. Just as he noticed Trooper Dunbar approaching, he tried to veer back into his lane, but was unable to keep the car under control. The vehicle flipped end-over-end into the oncoming trooper, shearing off the top of the squad car. Trooper Dunbar died while in route to the hospital.

The other driver was charged with reckless homicide, reckless driving, and improper lane usage.

Trooper Dunbar was the first trooper in 26 years to be killed in the line of duty, and the first to be killed in a patrol car accident in southern Illinois. He joined the Illinois State Police on October 28, 1957. He was assigned to District 13 in DuQuoin. He was survived by his wife and two children.



Trooper Robert Thomas

**End of Watch:
May 15, 1942**

Trooper Robert Thomas succumbed to injuries received two days earlier when he was involved in a motorcycle accident while responding to a drowning call in Edwardsville. The motorcycle began to have mechanical troubles that caused him to lose control of the bike. He was thrown into a culvert and sustained severe injuries. He regained consciousness for a short time and explained what happened before passing away.

Trooper Thomas had served with the Illinois State Police for one year and was assigned to District 11. Trooper Thomas was killed one day before he was to enlist in the U.S. Army. He was survived by his fiancée".



Trooper Bernard Skeeters

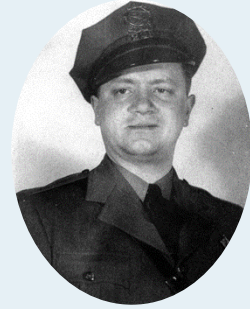
End of Watch: May 20, 1972

Trooper Bernard Skeeters was killed when his patrol car was struck from behind by a truck tractor semi on Interstate 55.

Working a safety detail at about 9:00 a.m., Trooper Skeeters was patrolling southbound on Interstate 55 behind an Illinois Department of Transportation paint truck. A truck tractor semi driver fell asleep behind the wheel and slammed into Trooper Skeeters' squad car. Trooper Skeeters' squad car was forced into the IDOT paint truck which was carrying flammable paints and thinners. Both the squad car and paint truck exploded and were engulfed in flames. The three-vehicle accident instantly killed Trooper Skeeters. The drivers of both the IDOT truck and the truck tractor semi survived the accident.

The semi-trailer driver was charged with reckless homicide. However, a jury could not reach a unanimous decision to convict him.

Trooper Bernard Skeeters was a U.S Army veteran of the Vietnam war and was a 12-year veteran of the Illinois State Police; He was assigned to District 9 in Springfield. Trooper Skeeters was survived by his wife and three sons.



Trooper Sam Mangiamele

**End of Watch:
May 25, 1945**

Trooper Samuel Mangiamele succumbed to injuries received five days earlier when his police motorcycle went out of control on loose gravel at 11th Street and Field Boulevard in Chicago, Illinois. He was taken to St. Luke's Hospital where he remained until his death.

Trooper Mangiamele had served with the Illinois State Police for three years and was assigned to District 3. Trooper Mangiamele was survived by his wife.



Trooper Frank Doris

End of Watch: May 27, 1967

Trooper Frank Doris was shot and killed during a traffic stop. Trooper Doris had just finished his night shift working the desk at District 12 Headquarters. He was on his way home to Clay City when he pulled over a bright red Mustang for speeding on Route 45 near Flora.

As he sat in his squad car issuing a citation, Trooper Frank Doris was shot in the head by the speeder, who then fled. A reflex made the slain trooper's foot press against the accelerator, causing the car to overheat. Nearby residents pulled Trooper Doris' body from the car just before it burst into flames. He was taken to Clay County Hospital where he was pronounced deceased.

Troopers quickly located the assailant, a 60-year-old ex-convict, who led officers on a three-county chase with speeds reaching as high as 130 mph. Troopers were able to box in and apprehend the killer near Albion in Edwards County. In the car, they found Trooper Doris' ticket book and a .38 caliber revolver that was used as the murder weapon.

The killer was charged with murder. He was subsequently found guilty and died in prison while serving his sentence.

Trooper Frank Doris was a 10-year veteran of the Illinois State Police - District 12, Effingham. He was also a World War II veteran and a local businessman before joining the Illinois State Police. He was survived by his wife and three sons.




Trooper Richard Groja

**End of Watch:
May 28, 1933**

Trooper Richard Groja was killed in a motorcycle accident.

Trooper Groja was responding to a call in Chicago when he failed to show up. He was found five hours later at Rand Road and Garland Place. It appeared that he lost control of the motorcycle on an S-curve colliding with a tree.

Trooper Groja was U.S. Army veteran of WWI and served with the Illinois State Police for only two months. He was survived by his wife and child.



Congratulations, April 2024 retirees!

Vicki Ricobene

Office Associate
33 Years, 7+ Months

Bradley Bastian

Senior Inspector
Trooper # 5131
24 Years, 1+ Months

Lynn Romanotto

Criminal Intelligence
Analyst Specialist
25 Years, 8 Months

Michael Usher

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