

St. Charles Police Department

2015

Annual Report





CHIEF'S LETTER OF INTRODUCTION



March 1, 2016

Mark Koenen, City Administrator
City of St. Charles
2 E. Main Street
St. Charles, IL 60174

Dear Mr. Koenen:

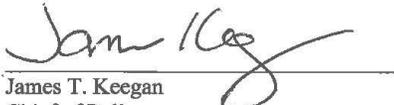
It is with great pleasure that I present you with the annual report for the St. Charles Police Department for calendar year 2015 as organized, prepared, and distributed by Senior Administrative Assistant Sara Cass. This information outlines the activities conducted by members of the Police Department through the calendar year to inform you, the Mayor, City Council, and our community of the great work done by our employees on a daily basis. Our mission is to provide *quality service, with respect and a commitment to excellence*. Included in this report is an overview of our services, crime rates, enforcement statistics, and other associated activities.

Our calls for service increased in 2015, which is a direct result of increased staffing levels and higher self-initiated activity levels. Serious crimes (Part I) remained at very low levels indicative of a very safe community. The three "E's of traffic"; education, engineering, and enforcement continue to pay dividends in keeping our roadways safe.

Highlights of this calendar year include the restructuring of the command team pursuant to attrition and new faces and promotions coinciding with other retirements. In addition, a recruitment campaign centered on hiring officers with prior law enforcement experience has really allowed us to remain at or above mandatory staffing levels; providing the best service we can to our residents, business owners, and visitors.

We, as an organization, remain committed to our citizens and the quality of the services we provide. Through quality training and organizational preparedness, we consider ourselves forever vigilant to respond to whatever emergency situation arises. We are proud to say, we are "The Pride of the Fox!"

Sincerely,


James T. Keegan
Chief of Police

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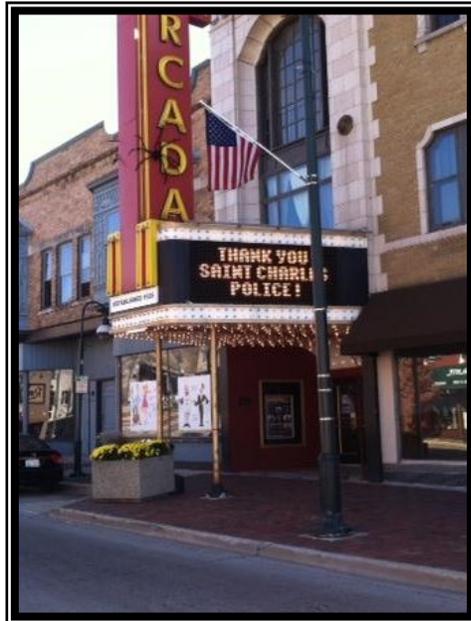
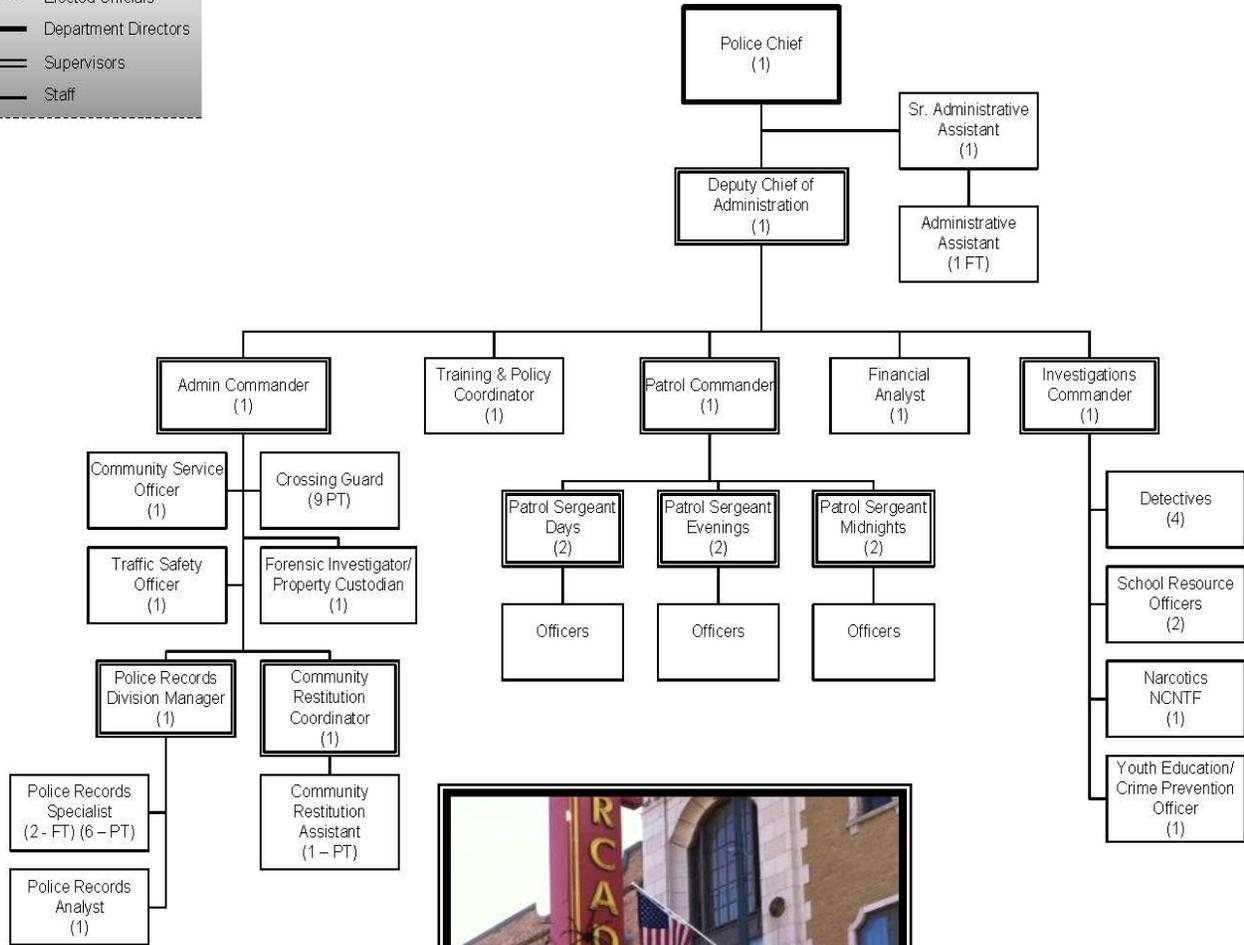


ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

	City of St. Charles, IL	
	Police Department	10/20/2015

Key

- Elected Officials
- ===== Department Directors
- ===== Supervisors
- ===== Staff





DEPARTMENT ROSTER (SERVING SINCE)

SWORN PERSONNEL

Chief James Keegan	2014	Officer Jerry Schomer	2000
Deputy Chief Steve Huffman*	1993	Officer Rich Clark	2000
Deputy Chief David Kintz	1990	Officer Dawn Churney	2001
Commander Jerry Gatlin	1998	Officer Scott Coryell	2001
Commander Erik Mahan	1996	Officer Jim Burden	2001
Commander Steve Bedell	1989	Officer Ben Devol	2001
Sergeant Lin Dargis*	1989	Officer Eric Bauwens	2001
Sergeant Roger Anderson	1989	Officer Bill Tynan	2003
Sergeant Tom Shaw	1997	Officer Brooks Boyce	2004
Sergeant Mike Griesbaum	1990	Officer Brett Runkle	2005
Sergeant Dan Kuttner	2007	Officer Chuck Crumlett	2005
Sergeant Chuck Pierce	1996	Officer Nic Anson	2005
Sergeant Eric Majewski	2000	Officer Cory Krupke	2005
Officer Craig Bahe	1987	Officer Melinda Anyon	2006
Officer Marty Sheets	1988	Detective Janis Schuessler	2006
Officer Joanne Pawlak*	1989	Officer Adam Stander*	2010
Officer Darrin Lee	1990	Officer Steve Woloszyk	2010
Officer Tim Beam	1990	Officer Johnathon Losurdo	2010
Officer Troy Peacock	1992	Officer Russell Haywood	2012
Officer Bridget McCowan	1993	Officer Tim Ocasek	2012
Detective Drew Lamela	1995	Officer Rob Vicicondi	2012
Officer Mike Ross	1995	Officer Eric Jannusch	2012
Officer Lisa Ferguson	1996	Officer Rick Murawski	2014
Officer Chris Grove	1996	Officer Jose Jacobo	2015
Detective David Ketelsen	1997	Officer Jennifer Bresnahan	2015
Officer Mike McCowan	1997	Officer Luis Vargas	2015
Officer Steve Heike	1999	Officer Joe Dony	2015

CIVILIAN PERSONNEL

Senior Administrative Assistant		K-9	
Sara Cass	2004	Aries	2008
Records Division Manager		Accreditation Coordinator/PIO	
Kim Schult	2002	Lisa Blackwell*	2013
Forensic Investigator/Property Custodian		Financial Analyst	
Rusty Sullivan	2011	Scott Sanders	2010
Administrative Assistant		Training Coordinator	
France Cevallos	2012	Guy Hoffrage	2007
Community Service Officer		Community Restitution Coordinator	
Ryan Beeter	2007	Dan Orland	2004

RECORDS PERSONNEL

Kathy Rust	1987	Carol Johnson	1993	Kathy Young	2014
Diane Leahy	1987	Grace Rhead	2006	Nancy Ricotta	2014
Sandy Hansen*	1990	Elizabeth Mendoza	2011	Hilaria Garcia	2015
Connie Goetz	1991	Connie Davis*	2014		

*Denotes individual left the Department in 2015



2015 SUMMARY ARRESTS/OFFENSES

PART I CRIMES

Homicide	0
Criminal Sexual Assault	6
Robbery	4
Aggravated Battery	15
Aggravated Assault	5
Burglary	49
Burglary from Motor Vehicle	78
Theft	311
Motor Vehicle Theft	9
Arson	1
Total Part I Offenses	478

PART II CRIMES

Reckless Homicide	0
Battery and Domestic Battery	236
Assault (Simple)	6
Deception	163
Criminal Damage and Trespass	218
Deadly Weapons (incl. FOID card violations)	15
Sex Offenses	11
Offenses Involving Children	14
Cannabis Control Act Violations	114
Methamphetamine Offenses	0
Controlled Substance Act Violations	29
Hypodermic Needle	0
Drug Paraphernalia Act	119
Liquor Control Act Violations	51
Intoxicating Compounds	0
Motor Vehicle Offenses (incl. DUI)	652
Disorderly Conduct	189
Interference w/ Peace Officers	29
Intimidation	1
Kidnapping (incl. visitation violations)	7
Violation of Criminal Registry Laws	1
Other Offenses	424
Total Part II Offenses	2,279

SERVICES

Warrant Service	97
Public Complaints	333

TOTALS

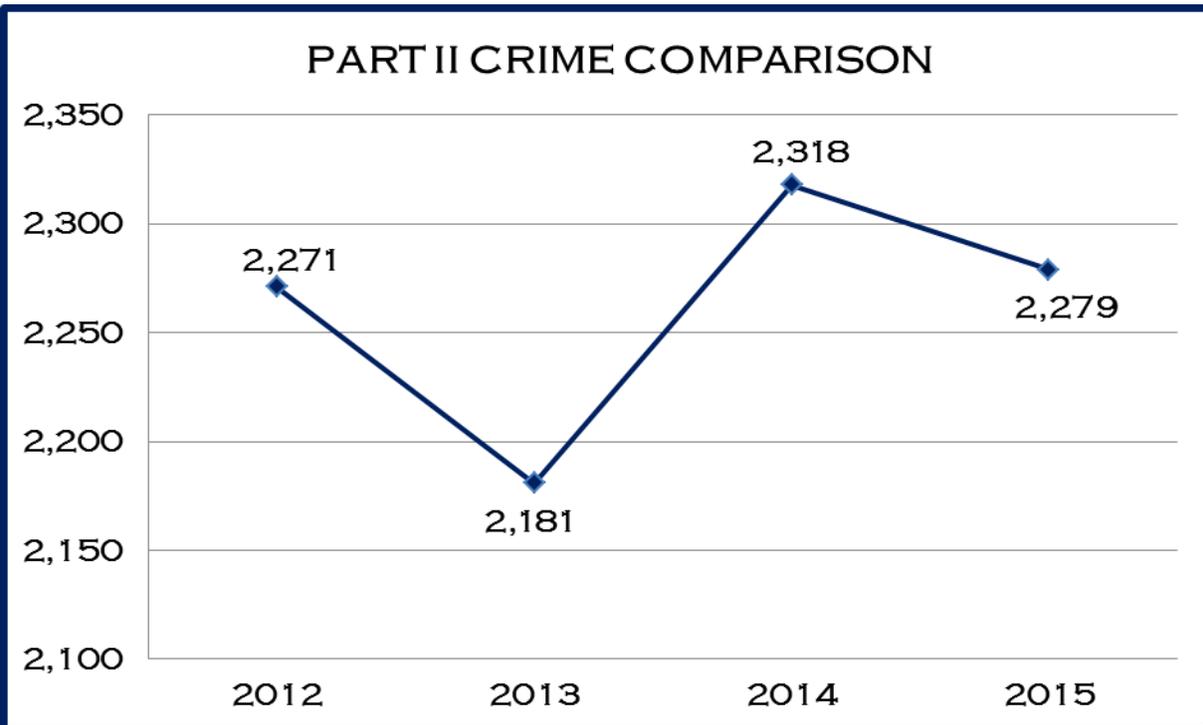
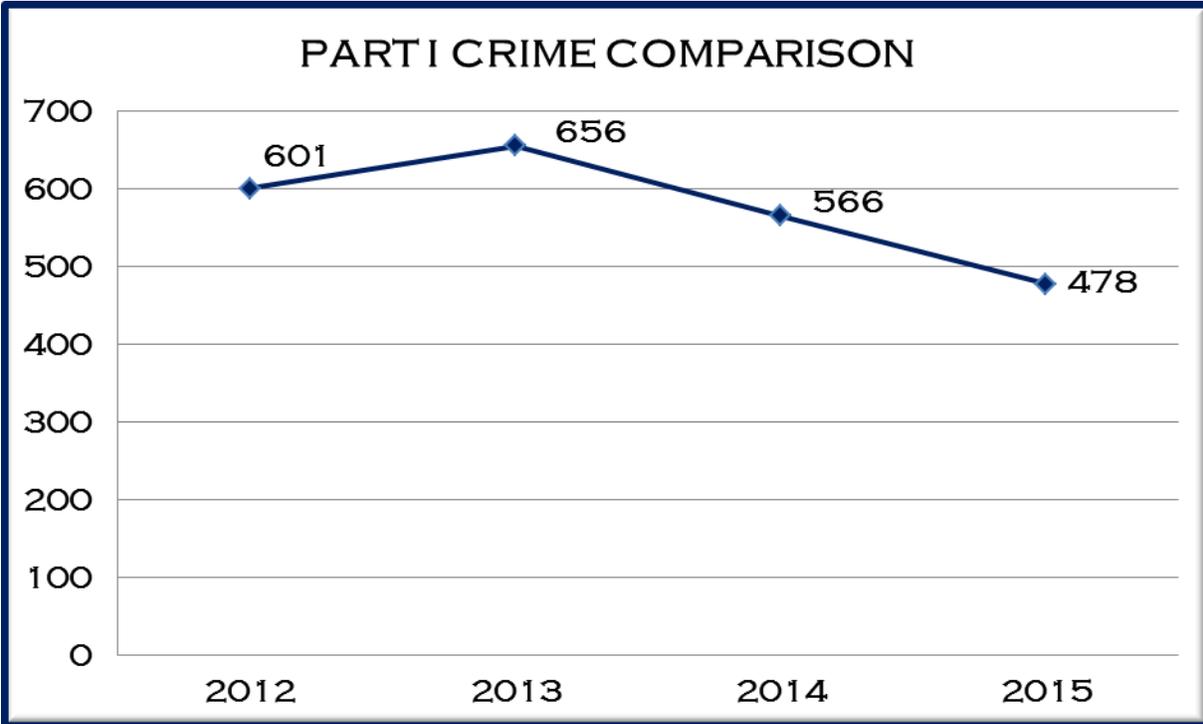
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OUR MISSION

**TO PROTECT AND SERVE OUR COMMUNITY WITH RESPECT AND A COMMITMENT
TO EXCELLENCE**

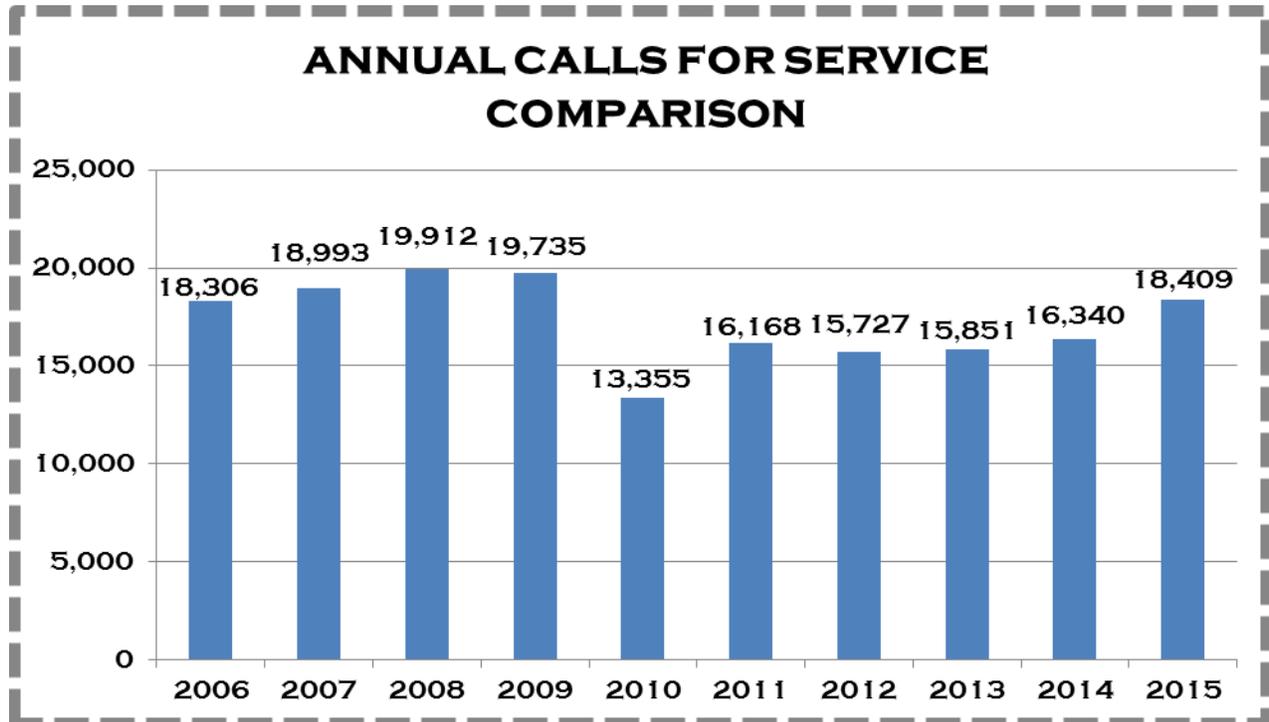
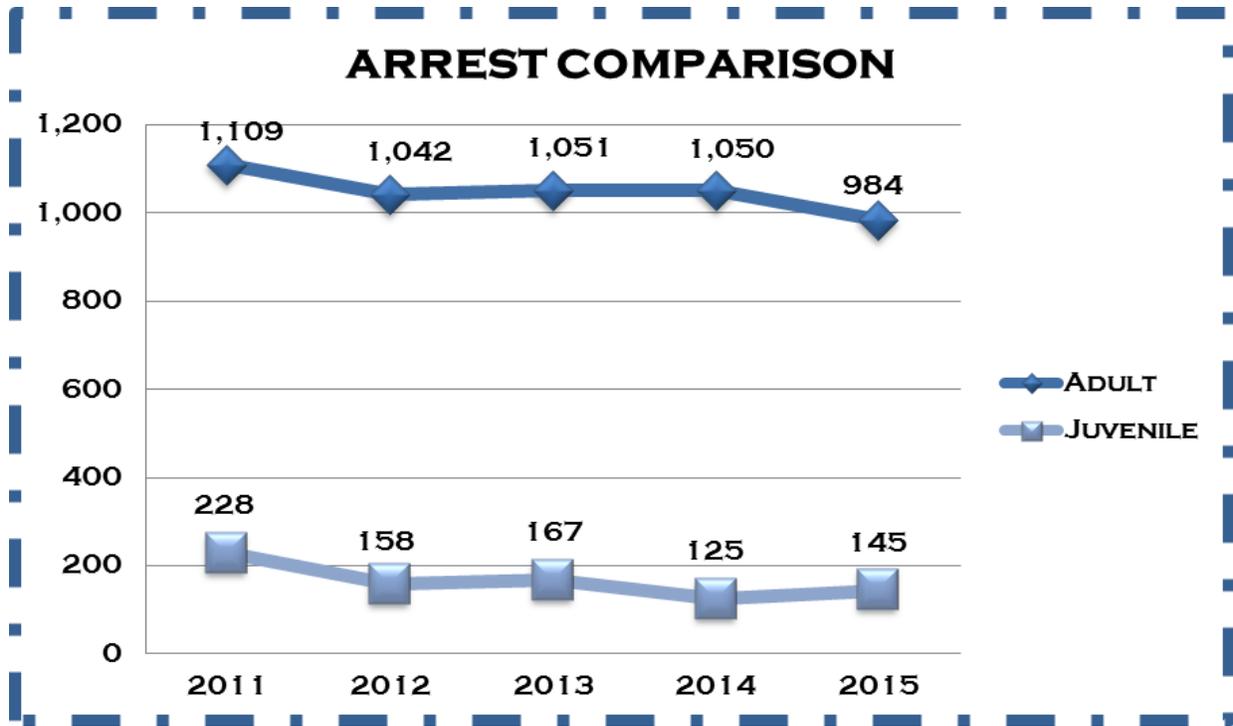


COMPARISON STATISTICS



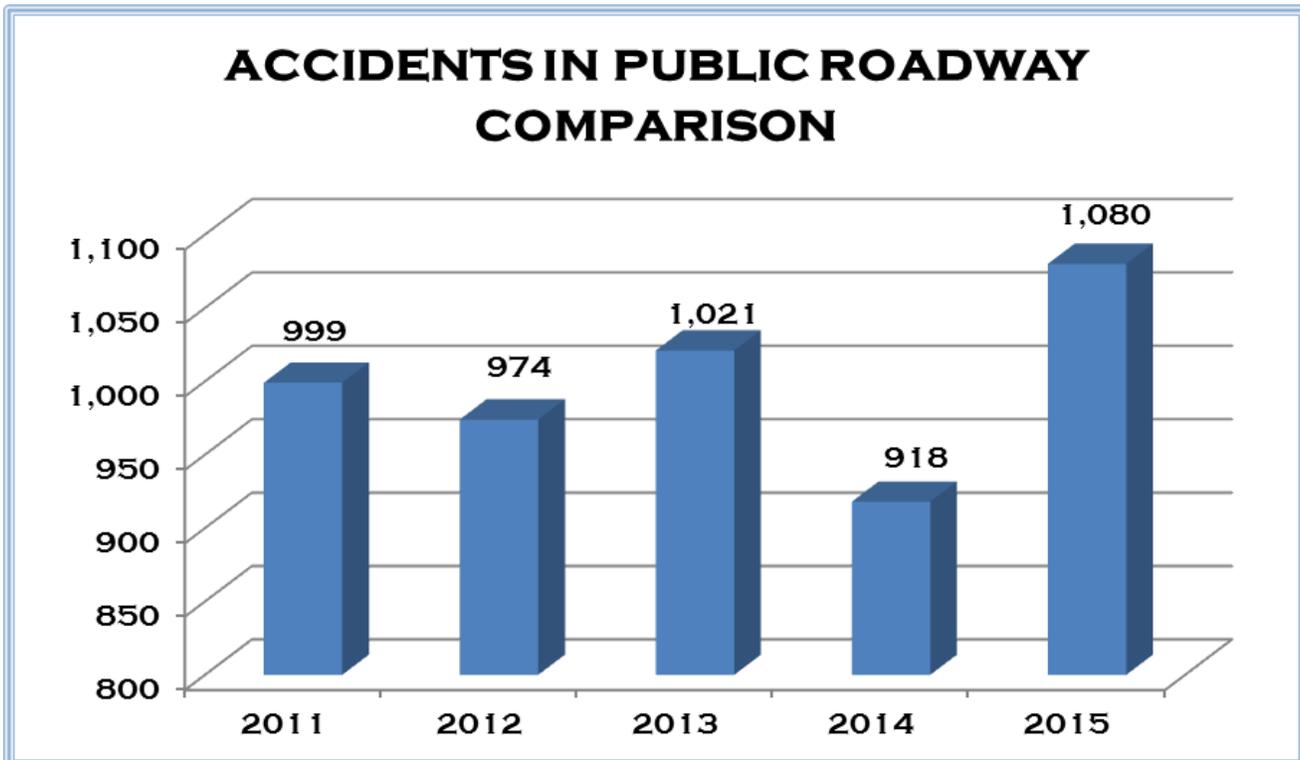
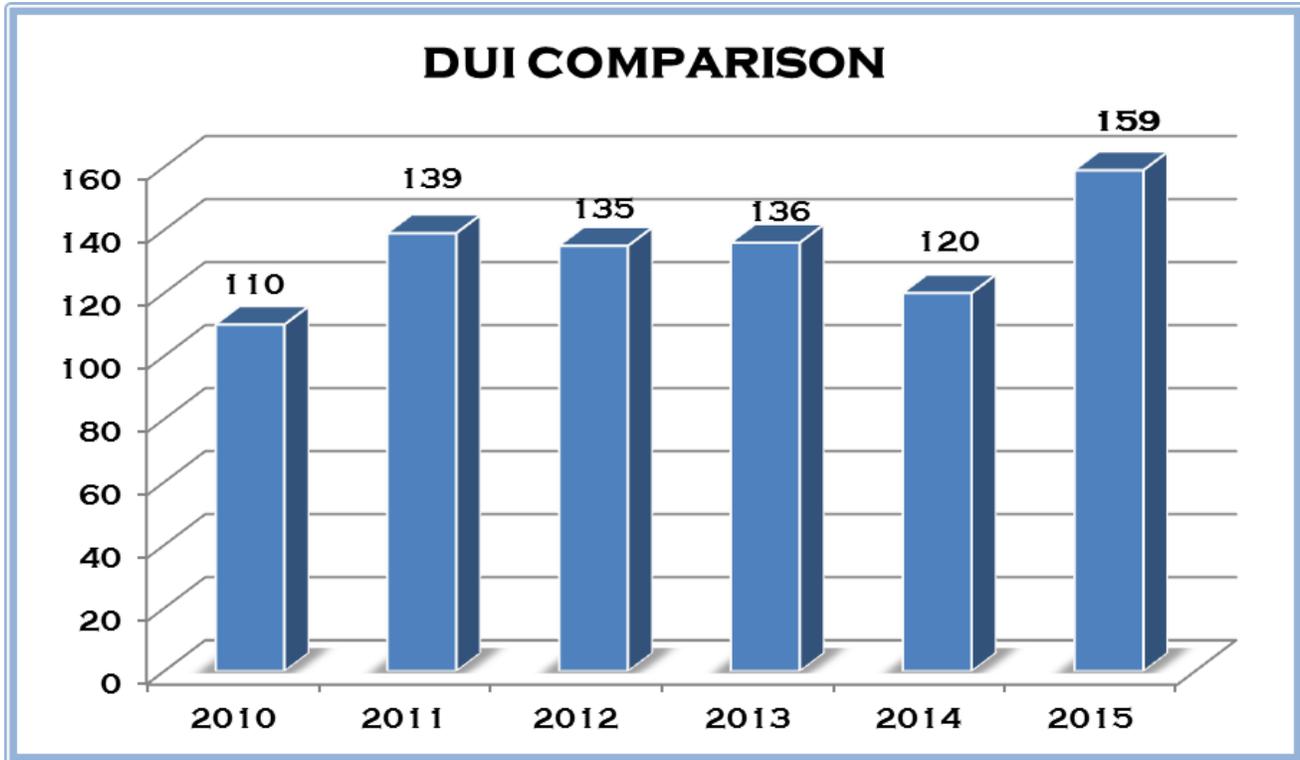


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ADMINISTRATION



Prepared by Deputy Chief David Kintz

In 2015, the Department conducted a thorough review of the command structure and made some changes to improve the service delivery. The reorganization was timed to coincide with some retirements and normal attrition. The new structure allowed for the realignment of some responsibilities to better serve the department. The final command structure changed from two deputy chief positions and two commanders to now contain one deputy chief and three commanders. The creation of a patrol commander position will result in better coordination of the patrol units, which make up the bulk of the department. This position will work with each shift for scheduling, employee development, and daily patrol activities. The deputy chief position will be responsible for communication among each division controlled by a commander as well as project management. This change resulted in an overall cost savings to the City.

Deputy Chief Steve Huffman retired from the police department after 23 years. He accepted a position with the Village of Antioch as the chief of police. Deputy Chief Huffman served as a patrol officer, detective, detective sergeant, as well as a deputy chief.

Steve Bedell was selected for the new position of the Patrol Commander. He has been with the department for over 26 years now and most recently served as a sergeant in Patrol. He is responsible for the oversight of the Patrol Division, which contains 6 sergeants and 30 officers. This new position will improve the communication between the shifts and increased coordination of the patrol activities.

In addition to these changes, the Department promoted two new sergeants. Sergeant Chuck Pierce and Sergeant Eric Majewski were promoted during 2015. Both had recently been assigned as liaison officers to the high schools. Sergeant Pierce has been with the Department for 20 years. He was assigned to St. Charles East High School and has also served on a multi-jurisdictional narcotics task force and the Tactical Response Unit. Sergeant Majewski has been with the Department for 16 years. He was assigned to St. Charles North High School and also served on the SWAT team.

K-9

The St. Charles K9 Unit consists of Officer. Nic Anson #356 and his K9 partner, Aries. Aries, a German Shepherd imported from Germany, is now going on his 8th year with the St. Charles Police Department and his 5th year as a member of the Kane County SWAT Team. Aries continues to provide valuable resource to the community along with assisting neighboring agencies when called upon.

Every year the K9 Unit is required to be recertified. This year the K9 Unit updated their certification during a three day training session with the Illinois State Police. During the three day period, Aries was heavily tested in the following categories:

- ⇒ Narcotics Detection
- ⇒ Tracking
- ⇒ Controlled Aggression/Handler Protection
- ⇒ Agility
- ⇒ Obedience
- ⇒ Area/Building Searches

Aries received passing marks in all categories and has been successfully recertified as a Dual-Purpose K9 through the Illinois State Police.



The Police Department participated in the inaugural **Chair-ity** put on by the Downtown St. Charles Partnership. Officer Troy Peacock designed and completed an outstanding chair the Department was proud to sponsor!



A peaceful rally took place in support of the St. Charles Police Department.



KANE COUNTY SWAT & ILEAS

Prepared by Officer Mike McCowan

Kane County SWAT

The Multi-Jurisdictional Kane County SWAT (Special Weapons and Tactics) team completed another successful year in 2015. As usual, there were some operators who left the team and new operators coming aboard. Kane County Sheriff Deputy Shawn Barrows, a team sniper, retired from his SWAT position after almost 15 years of service. Deputy Barrows continues to support SWAT as a team driver.

SWAT welcomed two more participating police agencies in 2015. The Huntley Police Department added two operators and the East Dundee Police Department added one operator.

The North Aurora Fire Department now contributes two SWAT Medics to Kane County SWAT. They join our volunteer Tactical Emergency Medical Services (TEMS) operators. Our volunteers represent the St. Charles Fire Department, Tri-City Ambulance Service, two private practice physicians, and a private practice physician's assistant.

These new agencies join the existing member agencies of the Kane County Sheriff's Office, St. Charles Police Department, Geneva Police Department, North Aurora Police Department, South Elgin Police Department, and West Dundee Police Department.

The St. Charles Police officers assigned to KC SWAT include Officers Nic Anson, Chuck Crumlett, Cory Krupke, and Mike McCowan. The department is proud to know that each of these officers is assigned to critical roles within the team. Officer Anson is a SWAT K-9 handler, Officer Crumlett is a primary breacher, Officer Krupke is a primary shield operator, and Officer McCowan is an entry team leader.

Kane County SWAT trained twice per month in a variety of tactical training topics. All operators passed the KC SWAT physical agility test two times during the year. SWAT traveled to Fort McCoy, Wisconsin for the 4th annual extended training evolution. The team conducted joint training exercises with SWAT teams from the Aurora Police Department, Elgin Police Department, and the Naperville Police Department.

Kane County SWAT was activated for barricaded subject situations in North Aurora and Batavia. Each of these situations involved armed individuals barricaded in their homes. Each of the situations was peacefully resolved without further injury to anyone involved.

The team participated in the City of St. Charles Riverfest by doing a dynamic display on opening night.

ILEAS WMD SRT

In 2015, Patrol Officer Mike McCowan completed six full years of assignment to the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarms System (ILEAS) Region IV Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) Special Response Team (SRT). Officer McCowan again successfully passed all physical and academic requirements. Officer McCowan and the SRT continue to attend training twice per month. Much of the training in 2015 focused on local readiness to respond to the growing threat of terrorism.

In April 2015, several SRT operators responded to the City of Wood Dale and assisted the FIAT SWAT team with a barricaded subject situation. That subject was taken into custody without injury to anyone involved.

In late 2015, Officer McCowan was appointed to an Entry Team Leader position. This new position comes with great commitment and responsibility.





RECORDS DIVISION

Prepared by Records Division Manager Kim Schult

Police Records maintains the confidentiality and integrity of police reports, arrest and criminal history information both electronically and on paper. It handles requests for dissemination of information to other agencies, to the public and internally. The actions and decisions of the Police Records staff must comply with all City, Department, State and Federal laws, guidelines and confidentiality requirements. Because the data processed deals with courts and the law, Records' duties must be performed accurately and in a timely manner, often per state mandate.

ST CHARLES POLICE RECORDS DIVISION -- BY THE NUMBERS

1,430	ACCIDENT REPORTS	Data Entry / State Reporting
939	ADMINISTRATIVE ADJUDICATION	Preparing Summons to Appear / Findings and Decisions
670	ALARM PROCESSING	New alarm permits, false alarm letters, invoices
1,129	ARREST PROCESSING	Process bail bond, tickets, fees, booking and charging documents for dissemination to the Clerks of the Court
3,775	CASE REPORTS	Review, amend and merge into computer records system
186	CITY CALL OUTS	After hours City public works emergency call outs
559	COURT PREPARATION	Officers' Notice of Trials/ Depositions/ Cancellations/ Continuances / Subpoenas / Documents to City Prosecutor
7,147	DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILING	Data Entry/State Reporting. Required for every traffic stop
83	EXPUNGEMENTS/SEALED RECORDS	Received petitions and completed court orders
429	FEE BILLING	Notice to City Finance to invoice for unpaid Booking Fees
Varies	FEE HANDLING, PROCESSING and TRANSFER	Fees for: Accident report copies, bike permits, booking, fingerprints, FOIA, registered sex offenders, solicitors, subpoena, towing, utility disconnect after-hours payments, vehicle impounds, and other miscellaneous fees
790	FINGERPRINTS (Arrest)	Quality assurance review
609	FREEDOM OF INFORMATION	Review, redact, release
295	IMPOUNDED VEHICLES	Process tow information and prepare for adjudication
418	INSURANCE REQUESTS	Accident report copies
149	MEDICATION PROCESSING (in pounds)	Prescriptions turned in for destruction by St. Charles residents
475	RECORDS CHECKS	Military and US Government
883	RECORDS & EVIDENCE REQUESTS	Prepare and disseminate documents and CDs to Court, Corrections and Law Enforcement Agencies
60 ft ³	RECORDS DESTROYED (in cubic feet)	Prepare all forms of records for destruction, and submit requests for authorization, per state guidelines
20,000+	SCANNED DOCUMENTS	Most of the records described above and below are scanned and maintained in an electronic format
66	SOLICITOR APPLICATIONS	Process application to include fees, criminal history and photo submissions
29	TICKETS – OVERWEIGHT	Data Entry / Filing
1,634	TICKETS – PARKING	Data Entry / Filing / Adjudication processing
3,317	TICKETS – STATE/LOCAL UTC	Data Entry / Filing / State Reporting
6,609	TICKETS – WARNING	Data Entry / Filing
111	VACATION WATCH	Electronic notification entry and hard copy maintenance
73	VERBAL WARNINGS	Traffic stops, without a written citation
266	WARRANTS (130 new and 136 served/recalled)	Process new, served, and recalled warrants

The Police Records staff manages the front desk window and phones 6 days a week (18 hours M-F / 8 hours on Saturdays).

The St. Charles Police Records Division is comprised of six part-time and four full-time civilian staff.



TRAFFIC & SPECIAL EVENTS

Prepared by Commander of Administration Erik Mahan

There were some changes involving the Traffic and Special Events Unit during 2015. The Unit was realigned under the Administration Division. The Commander of Traffic and Special Events position was changed to Commander of Administration. In addition to Traffic and Special Events, this position now oversees other sections including: Records, Evidence, and Community Restitution. Officer Rich Clark completed his eight-year assignment as the Traffic Safety Officer and transitioned back to the Patrol Division. Officer Clark was an integral part of many traffic projects and special events during those eight years. His dedication to traffic safety will definitely be missed in the Unit. Officer Benjamin Devol was selected to take over as the new Traffic Safety Officer. Officer Devol is a state certified Police Traffic Accident Reconstructionist and a member of the Kane County Accident Reconstruction Task Force. He brings over 15 years of law enforcement experience to the unit. Crossing Guard Janice Schrank stepped down after many years of dedicated service and Tania Williams was welcomed to the team as our newest Crossing Guard at Munhall School.

The Traffic and Special Events Unit under the direction of the Commander of Administration, consists of: 1 - Traffic Safety Officer, 1- Community Service Officer, 9 – School Crossing Guards. The Unit works to enhance the quality of life for residents and visitors through the safe and efficient movement of traffic in the City. The unit works in support of the Patrol Division by providing traffic studies and analyses, solving neighborhood traffic and parking problems, and working closely with organizers to plan safe and successful special events.

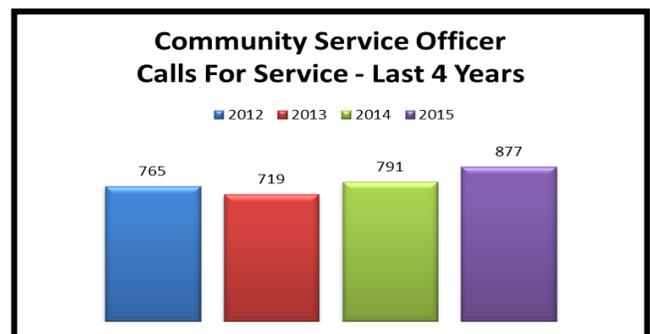
School Crossing Guards

The Crossing Guards work each school day to safely cross children at six different locations. An additional six crossing locations are staffed by Community Unit School District #303. The Traffic and Special Events Unit works closely with the School District to train crossing guards and plan safe routes to school. The Crossing Guards also help with pedestrian crossing locations during special events. All Crossing Guards attend an annual training session. Our School Crossing Guards are: JoAnne Bullock, Gloria Helm, Gina King, Nicole Kotsy, George Mace, Maureen O’Carroll, Heidi Scaletta, Richard Schrank, and Tania Williams

Community Service Officer

The St. Charles Police Department has one full-time Community Service Officer (CSO). The CSO is a non-sworn member of the Department who performs a variety of tasks in support of all divisions of the Police Department. Those tasks include but are not limited to:

- ⇒ Animal Complaints
- ⇒ Motorist Assists
- ⇒ Traffic Control
- ⇒ Parking Enforcement
- ⇒ Minor Traffic Crashes on Private Property
- ⇒ Ordinance Violations
- ⇒ Assists with booking/processing of arrestees
- ⇒ Responding to other non-criminal Calls for Service
- ⇒ Daily transfer of documents between the department and agencies such as, The Kane County Circuit Clerk, The Kane County State’s Attorney, And Tri Com Central Dispatch.
- ⇒ Child Car Seat Checks
- ⇒ Delivery of vehicles for maintenance and repair
- ⇒ Transfer of evidence to and from state crime labs



In 2015, CSO Ryan Beeter was assigned to 877 calls for service. CSO Beeter also played a key role in the operations of traffic management at each of the special events held throughout the year. In 2015 CSO Beeter was awarded the Department’s Life Saving Award for actions he took in coming to the aid of a resident who was choking.



TRAFFIC & SPECIAL EVENTS

Traffic Safety Officer

The Traffic Safety Officer (TSO) is a Sworn Police Officer specially trained in areas such as:

- ⇒ Traffic Engineering Technical Assistant Training
- ⇒ Traffic Crash Investigation
- ⇒ Solving Neighborhood Traffic Problems
- ⇒ Community Education

During 2015, TSO Rich Clark served as a member of the City's Special Events Committee and the Development Review Team. In 2015, the following areas were among those where Officer Clark was assigned to analyze and address traffic and/or parking concerns:

- ⇒ Dean Street
- ⇒ E. Main Street (IL Route 64) and Riverside Avenue
- ⇒ Davis Elementary School
- ⇒ E. Main Street (IL Route 64) and Dunham Road
- ⇒ S. 14th Street and S. 16th Street
- ⇒ 500 block Dunham Road
- ⇒ 600 block Indiana Street
- ⇒ Kautz Road
- ⇒ S. 5th Avenue (IL Route 25)
- ⇒ Renard Lane and St. Germaine Place
- ⇒ Rivers Edge Subdivision
- ⇒ S. 7th Street at Indiana Street
- ⇒ Municipal Lot F
- ⇒ Municipal Lot L
- ⇒ Municipal Lot I
- ⇒ Foxfield Drive
- ⇒ 1000 block Dunham Road
- ⇒ 400 block Indiana Avenue
- ⇒ Madison Avenue
- ⇒ S. 2nd Street (IL Route 31) and Walnut Street

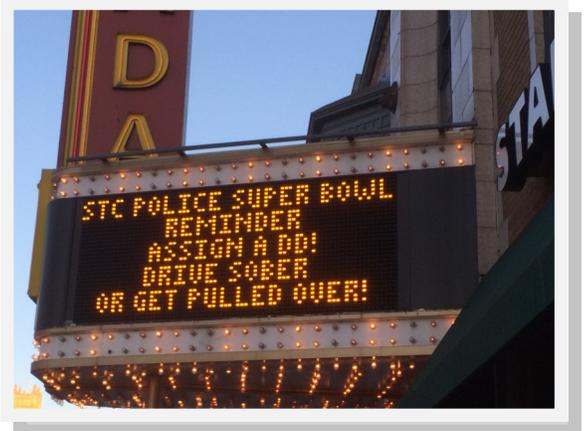


The TSO also plays a key role in delivering police services where needed during special events.

Public Information and Education

The Traffic and Special Events Units participated in the following events to try and get the traffic safety message out to the public during 2015:

- ⇒ St. Charles North High School Wellness Fair
- ⇒ Lincoln School Wellness Fair
- ⇒ Weekly Child Car Seat Checks
- ⇒ The Chicago Auto Show, IDOT Traffic Safety/Safekids Booth
- ⇒ Illinois Department of Transportation, Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program





TRAFFIC & SPECIAL EVENTS

Traffic Crash and Enforcement Analysis

CRASH REPORTS		4-Year Comparison			
	2015	2014	2013	2012	
Total Crashes on Public Roadways	1080	918	1021	974	
Crashes involving a fatality	0	1	0	0	
Crashes involving personal injury (PI)	146	117	141	148	
Crashes, property damage only (PDO)	934	800	880	826	
Total Crashes on Private Property	353	389	377	387	
Total Citations Issued	3223	3847	4194	3964	
Speed Related	1283	1490	1695	1329	
Other Moving Violations	810	787	857	991	
Non-Moving Violations	1049	1464	1642	1644	
Seat Belt Violations	47	79	101	232	
Child Safety Seat Violations	2	5	6	6	
Overweight Vehicle Violations	32	22	15	14	
Total Warning Notices Issued	6912	7015	8189	8025	
Total Traffic Arrests	452	498	487	458	
DUI	159	120	136	135	
Driving while license suspended/revoked	128	149	110	111	
No valid driver's license	128	195	206	181	
Reckless Driving/ Excessive Speed/ Fleeing & Eluding	15	10	6	7	
Hit and Run	22	24	29	24	



TRAFFIC & SPECIAL EVENTS

2015 Top Five Roadway Crash Locations

Rank	Location	Total Crashes	Crashes Involving Injury
1	500 block S. Randall Rd.	16	3
2	100 block W. Main St. (IL. Route 64)	16	0
3	800 block S. Randall Rd.	15	2
4	3700 block E. Main St. (IL. Route 64)	14	0
5	2000 block Lincoln Hwy. (IL. Route 38)	13	0

Special Enforcement

Safe Summer on 64

2015 Top Five Intersection Crash Locations

Rank	Intersection	Total Crashes	Crashes Involving Injury
1	S. Randall Rd. / Prairie St.	9	2
2	W. Main St. / 2 nd St.	8	3
3	N. Randall Rd. / Dean St.	7	1
4	S. Randall Rd. / Bricher Rd.	7	1
5	E. Main St. / Dunham Rd	6	3

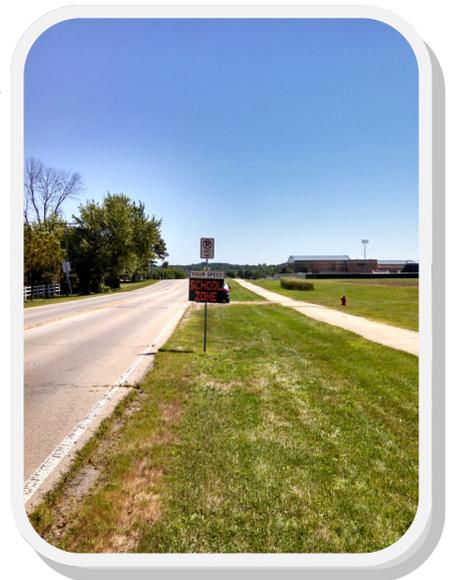
As the summer of 2015 began, The St. Charles Police Department issued a number of safe driving reminders. In addition, St. Charles Police conducted a traffic safety campaign along the Main Street (Route 64) corridor. Officers were out in increased numbers on June 4th focusing on dangerous driving behaviors that lead to crashes and injuries, such as:

1. Speeding
2. Texting or using a cell phone while driving
3. Not using a seat belt or failing to secure a child in a proper car seat.

This initiative was done using only regularly scheduled on-duty patrol officers without the need for overtime to be paid. The results of that one-day campaign are as follows:

- ⇒ 35 citations or warnings were issued for Speed related offenses.
- ⇒ 9 citations or warnings were issued for cell phone related offenses.
- ⇒ 22 citations or warnings were issued for seat belt offenses.
- ⇒ 16 citations or warnings were issued for mandatory insurance violations.
- ⇒ 14 warnings were issued for various equipment related violations.
- ⇒ 5 citations or warnings were issued for moving violations other than speeding.
- ⇒ 1 citation was issued for an overweight truck violation.
- ⇒ 2 arrests were made for driving while license suspended.
- ⇒ 1 drug related arrest was made.
- ⇒ 1 DUI arrest was made.

All of these stops were made along Main Street (Illinois Route 64) with the goal of raising awareness and reducing the number of crashes and injuries associated with those crashes. Each year the St. Charles Police Department completes an analysis of traffic crashes. In 2014, intersections and roadway locations along Main Street were among the top locations where crashes occurred.





TRAFFIC & SPECIAL EVENTS

Click It or Ticket and Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over

Throughout 2015 the St. Charles Police Department continued participation in the *Click It or Ticket* and the *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* traffic safety campaigns sponsored by the Illinois Department of Transportation and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Special enforcement and education campaigns were held surrounding the following holiday seasons:

St. Patrick's Day, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas/ New Year's Eve.

A Halloween night, roadside safety check was held on N. 2nd Street (Illinois Rt. 31). The roadside safety check was held on N. 2nd Street (Illinois Rt. 31) ½ mile north of W. Main Street (Illinois Rt. 64). Twenty-nine (29) crashes occurred on Route 31 north of that location, between October 1, 2014 and September 30, 2015. Twelve (12) of the 29 involved either an injury or tow due to the crash. One crash, which took place in November 2014, involved a fatality. During the Halloween enforcement period, St. Charles Officers made 2 DUI arrests, 2 arrests for driving while license suspended or revoked, and 1 drug arrest; 1 seat belt citation, 2 citations for uninsured motor vehicles, 7 citations for speeding, and 5 citations for other violations were issued.

Special Events

The Traffic and Special Events Division worked closely with other City departments, community members, and organizers of special events to plan safe and successful festivals, parades, runs, and walks throughout the City. The following were among those Special Events, which took place in St. Charles during 2015:

- Chicago Motorcycle Show
- St. Patrick's Day Parade
- Pea Pod - Sly Fox ½ Marathon
- St Charles Fine Arts Show
- Memorial Day Parade
- Pride of the Fox RiverFest
- Heritage Center BBQ
- 4th of July Fireworks
- Kane County Fair
- Fox Valley Marathon
- St. Charles Cruise Nites
- St. Charles Riverwalk
- Dash in the Dark
- St. Charles East High School Homecoming Parade
- St. Charles North High School Homecoming Parade
- Walk to End Alzheimer's
- Scarecrow Festival
- Ghosts Vs. Ghouls Face-Off 5K
- Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk
- Holiday Homecoming Lighting of the Lights
- Holiday Homecoming Electric Parade





TRAFFIC & SPECIAL EVENTS

Other Initiatives

Oxcart Permitting Systems

Vehicles exceeding the weight limits set by state statute can do a great deal of damage to our roadways and are also a safety hazard to the motoring public. Being overweight puts undue stress on the vehicle that contributes to early failure of such items as brakes and steering/suspension components. This in turn leads to failures that could cause a serious crash.

In 2015 the City of St. Charles partnered with Oxcart Permitting Systems to streamline our overweight/oversize vehicle permitting process. The system at no cost to the City provides a more efficient application and permit issuance process to include all permit fees paid to be transmitted directly to the City without the need to send invoices, etc.



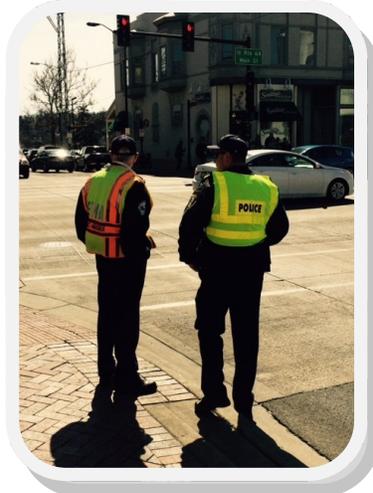
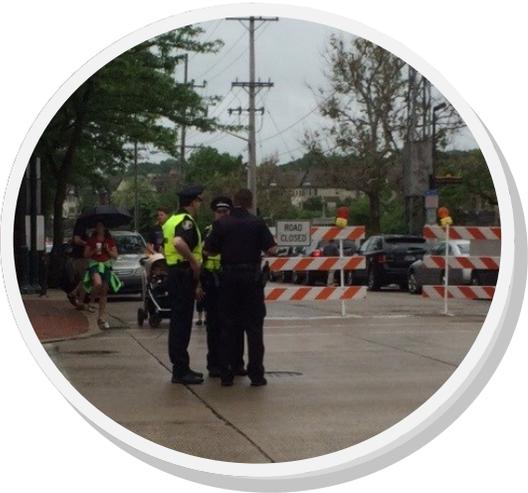
Parking Ticket Review

Citizens of St. Charles now have the opportunity to explain extenuating circumstances involved with parking violations. The Parking Ticket Review Procedure is to be used as a systematic and fair approach to review the merits of parking tickets issued by officers upon a citizen's request for such review. Decisions to nonsuit (dismiss) parking tickets (P-Tickets) are not intended to impugn the integrity of the enforcement activities but to recognize that each situation may have extenuating circumstances that do not warrant strict enforcement activities. This procedure is for purposes of allowing the recipient of a parking ticket to communicate with the officer who issued the ticket. It is designed for situations where the recipient had limited or no communications with the officer who issued the ticket.

The Administrative Adjudication Hearing process is still in effect as well. Administrative Adjudication is a proceeding in front of a hearing officer who listens to evidence presented by the City of St. Charles and by the accused who then makes a determination of liability or non-liability. Such hearings can be utilized for non-criminal offenses that are punishable only by fine. The hearing officer is an attorney licensed by the State of Illinois. Illinois statutes allow for an appeal of the hearing officer's determination in the circuit court.

Summary

The Traffic and Special Events Division works to coordinate efforts toward the goals of reducing traffic crashes and providing police services for special events, but that coordination would be futile without the daily efforts of the men and women assigned to the Patrol Division.





EVIDENCE

Prepared by Forensics Investigator Rusty Sullivan

Take a moment and look around the room you are in, start by counting the total number of items present, from small paper clips to a nail in the wall and even up to large items of furniture. Now ask yourself how a first time visitor would know what belongs or what doesn't among all of these or what was involved in an alleged prior event that had not been personally witnessed. Combine these with items that are not readily visible to the human eye (DNA, prints, surface contaminate/dust disturbances) and now you can begin to imagine what police are confronted with when entering actual crime scene(s).



Physical evidence can be anything which can establish relationships. Guns, knives and bloodstains are easy ones, but what about a simple cash register receipt, listing an item used during the commission of a crime. This receipt could now provide a lead as to when, where and possibly by whom the involved object had been purchased. There are countless other similar items like this one, yet most are innocuous - not easily recognizable as evidence or initially lacking relative information as to having any relationship whatsoever to any incident being scrutinized.

Given all variables involved, we continually strive in advance to be prepared to deal with this unlimited array of items. Utilizing our own small crime laboratory, equipped with specialized equipment, we are able to process many different types of submitted evidence here locally. Cyanoacrylate (super glue) fuming, the application of specialty powders, chemicals or dye stains which can be used with our alternate forensic light sources for the potential recovery of identifiable fingerprints are all within our capabilities. We can also use static electrical charges, gelatins or casting materials for the recovery and/or enhancement of dust prints or other footwear impression evidence. Chemicals which can provide presumptive confirmation level testing of drugs and/or suspected blood evidence are at our disposal. Many other similar tools and abilities also exist.

Numerous items can be recovered from crime scenes, but additional man-hour intensive efforts often determine which of many may not have related investigative value (i.e. presence of the victim's own prints on their own property disturbed during criminal incidents). Those that do have some value can possibly be later utilized to further ongoing investigation efforts or maybe as demonstratives during a future court hearing or other decision-making review process.

Digital evidence includes e-mail exchanges, internet research, mapping, messaging, photo sharing, social exchange, and video camera programs. These are just a few of the applications on a variety of smartphones, tablets and other devices being utilized every hour of the day, by the majority of us. As with any technology, elements in our communities can and do utilize these knowingly and at times unknowingly during the commission of criminal acts –spanning the spectrum from simple misdemeanor crimes to homicide(s).

Cell phones have now become the most quickly adopted technology in the world. As no single tool exists for forensic data recovery off of all the widely varying makes and models, we continue to expand our abilities to capture digital evidence off of witness, victim and of course the suspect's utilized mobile devices.

During this past year, we have recovered data for potential evidentiary use in cases like; death investigation, armed robbery, aggravated criminal sexual assault, child pornography, missing juvenile, electronic harassment, illicit drug acts, residential burglary, motor vehicle theft, retail theft, assisting other agencies investigating their similar cases and even to just return found electronic items to their lawful owners.

Attendance at various specialized forensic training at other venues along with use of computer based webinars throughout this year gives us the means to expand our existing skillsets and processes which then can benefit this community when and as needs arise. Dedicated use of a specialty designed Sprinter van allows us to transport many (not all) of the needed forensic supplies out into the field, where they can be used during the various investigative efforts being undertaken.



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In a related area, our active participation continues as members of the Kane County Major Crimes Task Force which jointly pool resources from related agencies all over this county. During this past year, we provided crime scene assistance during one very complex murder investigation to another nearby community – arrest has been made and the related trial is currently pending. Task Force participation is reciprocal in that should our community ever need additional manpower and/or specialized resources then these are often only just a phone call away.

Multiple guest lectures were provided to students at each of our high schools and these combined with other community member presentations continually help clarify the many differences between television type entertainment and the reality of actual forensic science being utilized to help victims.

The Property Custodian function is a multi-faceted one; the responsibility for maintaining integrity of all found items or submitted evidence is combined with the coordination of future investigative, crime lab submission or court related needs. A single fingerprint can be one of what may be dozens, or more, items recovered during a single case investigation. Using this as an example, this one recovered print will be handled by on-scene police personnel, an evidence custodian, a courier for transportation to a crime lab, processing by one or more lab personnel, and upon return, another courier, evidence custodian, etc. This all happens before it is to be handled by the States Attorney, possibly viewed by a defense attorney and accepted during trial by the court clerk. This one item has now been handled at least nine times and documentation, referred to as the chain of custody, must be completed for each of these individual instances involved. A single case with 20 pieces of evidence now entails numerous man-hours of dedicated work efforts and recordkeeping that regularly occurs out of the public's view.

Evidence storage requires effective warehousing type management while concurrently addressing involved health and safety concerns. Initiated and on-going organization includes the consolidation and long term preservation of this evidence via the use of storage space maximization efforts. Our facilities utilize fixed and moveable shelving units, lockers, refrigerators, freezers, a safe and a vault room in order to accomplish these.

An often unknown aspect of evidence storage involves our compliance with the numerous laws requiring items be appropriately maintained for periods as little as 6 months, up to 25 years or even indefinitely. 2015 efforts resulted in the legal ability to purge 906 items of evidence out of our storage facilities, while we accepted 1521 new items in during this same period.

Annual quarterly audits insure that our integrity efforts are continuously maintained. Audit results are subjected to not only internal command staff review but also that of outside agency inspectors via our on-going CALEA certification process.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISPOSAL

2015 marks the fifth full year completed of this public service program and we were able to safely dispose of approximately 149 pounds of drugs during this time. This total is up slightly from our previous year. Our efforts continue to be a great feat, if one stops and considers where these drugs could have gone otherwise if this program were not in place. We continue to promote this environmentally safe and controlled disposal of unwanted or unneeded drugs in order to reduce or eliminate any related drug based catastrophes.

Initial financial assistance was received from The St. Charles Police Department Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association, the Central Kane County TRIAD and Provena Pine View Care Center organization which made our drug disposal box purchase possible.



INVESTIGATIONS

Prepared by Commander of Investigations Jerry Gatlin

The Criminal Investigations Division serves in various roles. The primary function is to provide investigative support to the Patrol Division. Reported incidents are screened to identify those cases which require additional follow-up that would exceed the patrol division resources. Solvability factors, such as potential suspects, evidence, crime patterns, etc., are evaluated when determining when to assign a case for additional follow-up work. These assignments would include cases requiring multiple interviews, out-of-town follow-ups, extensive crime scene work, and ongoing surveillance activities. These investigations can vary in duration before a case is successfully investigated or closed. A case is closed or deemed inactive after all potential leads have been exhausted.

The Criminal Investigations Division staffing consisted of the following personnel during 2015:

- 1 – Commander
- 4 – General Assignment Detectives
- 2 – School Resource / Juvenile Officers (one assigned to each of the 2 high schools)
- 1 – Narcotics Detective (North Central Narcotics Task Force – Illinois State Police)
- 1 – Crime Prevention Specialist / Too Good for Drugs Program Instructor
- 1 – Civilian Administrative Assistant



In 2015, General Assignment Detectives worked 421 cases, down from 453 cases in 2014. The overall case clearance rate for 2015 was 44%, with 113 arrests. A total of 9 cases assigned during 2015 remained in a “pending additional investigation” status at the end of the year.

The following are highlights of cases worked and related job functions performed by investigators in 2015:

- ⇒ Execution of numerous search warrants and Grand Jury subpoenas for evidence / property recovery and investigative case support.
- ⇒ (14) Sexual assault and / or abuse investigations
- ⇒ Ongoing compliance based home visits of registered sex offenders, in addition to sexual predator compliance checks during local carnivals, festivals and child specific holidays such as Halloween, Easter, and Christmas. There were no arrests for non-compliance in 2015.
- ⇒ Ongoing compliance and license inspections of local massage establishments were conducted resulting in (2) investigations for prostitution.
- ⇒ (5) Death investigations – non-criminal
- ⇒ (1) Drug Induced Homicide
- ⇒ (3) Armed Robbery investigations compared to (2) in 2014
- ⇒ (2) Home Invasions (Armed – one remains under investigation)
- ⇒ (1) Arson
- ⇒ (7) Motor vehicle thefts compared to (15) in 2014.
- ⇒ (65) Burglary from Motor Vehicles compared to (82) in 2014 and (124) in 2013. (Crime prevention press releases and web site reminders were published, alerting the public on ways to protect their valuables.)
- ⇒ (15) Residential Burglary investigations compared to (25) in 2014.
- ⇒ (11) Burglary / (12) Attempted Burglary to commercial establishments compared to (14) in 2014. (3) incidents targeted local school buildings
- ⇒ Numerous incidents of criminal damage to property / criminal damage to vehicles.
- ⇒ Numerous city employment background investigations for probationary police officers, firefighter / paramedics, and Tri-Com dispatcher candidates.
- ⇒ Liquor license and business renewal applications, liquor and massage establishment site inspections, background investigations, and special event applications.
- ⇒ Numerous assists to outside agency investigations.
- ⇒ (21) Alcohol establishment compliance checks and (101) tobacco compliance checks. There were no citations issued for alcohol sales related non-compliance compared to (4) in 2014. There were no citations issued for underage tobacco sales compared to (9) in 2014.
- ⇒ St. Charles Police Department works closely with vendors to provide educational information and ensure continued compliance.
- ⇒ Numerous thefts, deceptive practice, credit card, and misc. fraud based offenses. (32%) of the cases worked in 2015 were based on



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some form of theft, fraud or deceptive practice, compared to (28%) in 2014. Among these reported incidents were a complex private employer embezzlement investigation, a large scale retail fraud complaint involving numerous victims, and a company “ghost payroll” investigation. These cases continue to prove more challenging in their complexity, use of evolving technology, and the transient nature of the offenders. The time and resources required to investigate these cases continues to present a challenge for law enforcement.

- ⇒ St. Charles Police Department works closely with the Cook County Organized Retail Crime Task Force (CCROC), our Federal partners, and other area task forces and investigators to identify individual offenders and organized groups involved in high dollar retail thefts and pattern crimes in an effort to curb the rise in these types of crimes. CCROC is a partnership between numerous retail organizations and regional law enforcement.
- ⇒ A total of (70) Identity Theft reports were filed with (12) investigations being conducted. A total of (58) cases were transferred to outside agencies after initial investigation efforts determined the point of compromise occurred outside of our jurisdiction.

Drug and Crime Tip Line

This link allows citizens to submit drug and crime related information easily and anonymously. The Tip Line has proven to be a viable resource and has been actively utilized by residents for a variety of crime related issues. The Tip Line also allows for the submission of photographs. These tips are reviewed immediately upon receipt, researched, and assigned accordingly. Anyone can access the Tip Line on the City of St. Charles website, the Police Department main page, the Investigations Division link, or by simply calling 1-866-378-4267.



Investigations Assignments and Duties

Officer Bill Tynan is assigned the duties of Crime Prevention and Crime Analysis, in addition to facilitating the instruction for the “Too Good for Drugs Program” in our local schools. He coordinates the annual Citizens Police Academy, the Youth Academy and serves as a liaison to the Illinois Crime Analyst Association, St. Charles Youth Commission, and the Kane County Hoarding Task Force.

The department continues to staff a full-time position with the North Central Narcotics Task Force. That unit was involved in numerous narcotics related investigations throughout the region, in addition to (22) narcotics related investigations in St. Charles. These efforts resulted in the execution of several search warrants, a total of (13) arrests, and the seizure of assorted narcotics, related drug equipment/paraphernalia, weapons, vehicles, and U.S. currency.



Detective Eric Majewski was promoted to Sergeant and transferred to the patrol division. Detective Tim Beam now serves as liaison to the St. Charles North High School. Detective Chuck Pierce was promoted to Sergeant and transferred to the patrol division. Detective Bridget McCowan now serves as the liaison to St. Charles East High School. Liaisons provide similar services to all area middle schools, as needed. Liaisons oversee juvenile based initiatives for the department to include referrals to the Juvenile Justice System and alternative programs such as community restitution opportunities, the Turning Point Diversion Program for first time offenders, and the Kane County Peer Jury program.



Detective Drew Lamela served as a general assignment Detective assigned to the day shift. He manages the sex offender registration and compliance program for St. Charles, as well as the Massage establishment compliance initiative. Det. Lamela is a certified Voice Stress Analyst and serves as a member of the Kane County Major Crimes Task Force.

Detective Janis Schuessler served as a general assignment Detective. She is certified as a Voice Stress Analyst and is currently assigned to investigation of online predatory crime related investigations.

Detective Cory Krupke served as a general assignment Detective and is assigned to the evening shift. Detective Krupke also serves as a member of the combined Kane County / S.W.A.T. Team.

Detective David Ketelsen served as a general assignment Detective and is assigned to the evening shift. He also serves as a department Liaison to the F.B.I. Terrorism Intelligence Task Force (T.L.O.C.) and to the Regional Organized Retail Theft Task Force (CCROC).

Commander Jerry Gatlin oversees operations for the Investigations Division, while also serving as Commander of the Kane County Major Crimes Task Force. In that role, he is responsible for coordinating major incident response and investigation, liaison with agencies county-wide, and to supervise the organization members and their training.





The Criminal Investigations Division participates in ongoing, monthly intelligence and case briefings with several area Investigators Associations. St. Charles has led the Fox Valley Investigators Association monthly meetings for more than 20 years. Investigators from Kane County, as well as surrounding counties, municipalities, and Chicago-based Federal agencies, routinely attend these meetings. The level of cooperation, collaboration, and resources generated by this partnership has provided tremendous benefits to this agency, as well as all involved in this partnership.



CRIME PREVENTION

Citizen Police Academy

The Citizen Police Academy (CPA) has been a popular Police Department program, and perhaps is the most important community-relations tool used by the Department. The CPA classes are held twice per week for nine weeks in the spring in the training room of the Police Department. The curriculum makes use of both classroom instruction and outside demonstrations. The CPA is designed to give participants a better understanding of how the Police Department functions. It also has the added benefit of being a sounding board regarding how the Department is meeting community needs and concerns. Subjects covered include criminal and narcotics investigations, arrest and court procedures, traffic stops, the canine unit, the SWAT team, crime scene processing and evidence collection, officer training and DUI enforcement, among several others. Each year the program is tweaked to accommodate the constantly changing dynamics of law enforcement. Participants range in age from high school juniors and seniors to senior citizens. The 2015 class took place from March 22 to May 19.



Youth Police Academy

The third annual Youth Police Academy was held from June 15-19. The class targets kids ages 13-16 years old. Eleven students participated in the 2015 class. The 25 hour course included a wide range of topics, including criminal law, traffic law, juvenile law, bullying, drugs, DUI investigation, Internet safety, personal safety, active shooter, and Taser deployment. Students were able to go hands on during a full day of crime-scene investigation and evidence collection. All students also were certified in CPR and basic first aid thanks to assistance from the St. Charles Fire Department. Students also received a tour of the Kane County Judicial Center, and participated in a mock trial. The course ended with a graduation that was attended by participants' families. Each student received a certificate documenting their participation in the course. Each student also received a T-shirt with the Department's patch free of charge, and the CPR certification was given free of charge thanks to funds provided by the St. Charles Youth Commission.

Too Good For Drugs

In 2015, 330 students between four Community Unit School District 303 elementary schools within the City participated in this drug and alcohol resistance program. The district schools that participated were Richmond Intermediate, Munhall, Lincoln, and Fox Ridge. The program uses the five components of goal setting, decision making, bonding with others, identifying/managing emotions, and communicating with others to go beyond just saying "no" to drugs. The program helps to build students' confidence, self-esteem and critical thinking skills. A new and updated curriculum devised by the Mendez Foundation, and approved by the school district, was implemented during the fall semester. New student workbooks with more thought-provoking activities, as well as new games and a new presentation were introduced.

Central Kane County TRIAD

The Police Department is a member of the Central Kane County TRIAD, which provides seminars and fellowship opportunities for seniors in central Kane County. The primary goal of the organization is to reduce the rate of crime against seniors in the area through education. Crime Prevention Officer Bill Tynan serve as the representative for the Police Department, and this year was appointed vice president. Throughout the course of the year, members of TRIAD provide seminars on a variety of topics including senior scams, fire and fall prevention, and personal safety.





COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Community Shredding Event

The Police Department hosted its third community shredding event on June 6. The purpose of the event was to help citizens cleanly and securely dispose of old paperwork that may contain important identifying information that could be used by thieves to steal somebody's identity. The City's shredding contractor, ProShred, was utilized. The event was sponsored by the City of St. Charles and Kane County Teachers Credit Union. The event was held for two hours during which 3,840 gallons of paper were shredded. This event was extremely popular and so well attended that people had to be turned away toward the end because the truck was filled almost to capacity. Another event will be held in 2016.

Services to the Community and Tours

During the past year, Crime Prevention Officer Bill Tynan attended various civic events held in the community and spoke to different groups around town to include: Wellness fair at Lincoln School, courage talk to Daisy Troop at Wild Rose Elementary, met with Carroll Tower residents to discuss the Elderwatch program, scam talk to Carriage Oaks residents, senior safety/scam talk at St. John Neumann Church, safety day at Goldfish Swim School, safety/scam talk at Kane County Home and Community Education, Jewel customer appreciation day, TRIAD picnic, Kids Day at Charlestowne movie theater, bank talk at West Suburban Bank, Walk to School day at Wredling Middle School, stranger danger at Goddard School, active shooter discussion at Serenity Packaging, and stranger danger at Kensington School. He also provided a total of five tours of the Police Department to Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops in the community.



Members of the **Your Action Matters** initiative, led by Crime Prevention Officer Bill Tynan and Detective Eric Majewski



The graduating class of the **2015 Youth Police Academy**, along with a photo from the graduation festivities, with Crime Prevention Officer Bill Tynan, Detective Eric Majewski, Sergeant Chuck Pierce, and Nancy McFarland





SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Prepared by Commander Jerry Gatlin

The Special Olympics mission is to provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with physical and intellectual disabilities, providing them with continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, fellow Special Olympic athletes, and their communities.

Special Olympics is a non-profit program that began in 1968 with a total of 1,000 athletes from the U.S and Canada. In 2015 there were more than 32,000 athletes served in Illinois alone. That service is provided by more than 25,000 volunteers. The program relies on the generous donations from a variety of fundraising activities. The Law Enforcement community has been a long-time partner of Special Olympics.



St. Charles Police Department takes an active role in fund-raising and the promotion of this program. Each year a number of events are held throughout the community to raise much needed funds. Events in 2015 included Cop-on-Rooftop, in partnership with Dunkin Donuts, The Annual Polar Plunge, and the 13th Annual Special

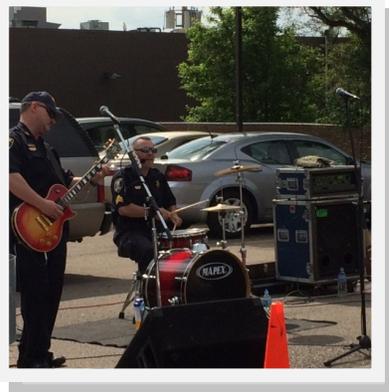
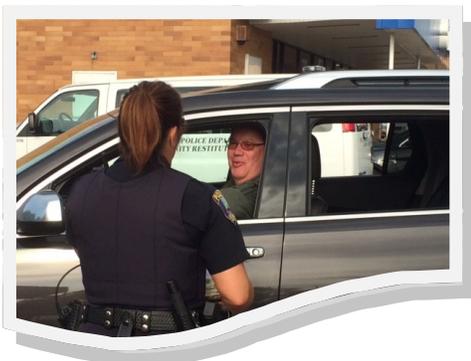
Olympics Golf Outing at Hughes Creek. It was our 12th straight year of fundraising through the sale of raffle tickets for a brand new custom Harley Davidson Motorcycle, and new in 2015, a custom built Special Olympics Edition Jeep Wrangler. The motorcycle is sponsored by the Kane County Chiefs of Police Association, an organization in which St. Charles command officers are actively involved. The department has raised over \$125,000 for the



charity during the past 7 years. All proceeds go directly to Special Olympics athletes and their programs. This would not have been possible without the hard work of all who volunteer their time and energy and through the generous donations from those in the community who faithfully support this program.



The St. Charles Police Department combined efforts with other area agencies to make Kane County the top fundraising team in Illinois for 2015.





TRAINING

Prepared by Training & Accreditation Coordinator Guy Hoffrage

The St. Charles Police Department recognizes the importance of training and is continually striving to ensure sworn officers and civilian staff is provided with the knowledge and education to perform their service to the community in a professional and safe manner. In 2015, St. Charles Police Department personnel received 9,971 hours of job related training. This number reflects a 16.8% decrease in the number of training hours attained in 2014.

St. Charles police officers work a 10.25-hour workday. The 10.25-hour day allows for an overlap day once a week in which all officers are scheduled to work. All officers have been divided into two teams and are provided, on average, with a 10.25-hour training day once a month.

The Department maintains a training goal of 40 hours of training per year for each full time sworn officer and 24 hours of training per year for each civilian employee. 100% of our sworn officers and 19% of our civilian personnel met or exceeded that goal. It should be noted that many of the Department's civilian employees are part time personnel. Our commitment to training personnel is proven.

In-house training remains an integral part of our training program. Quarterly firearms training along with Tactical Simulations provide our officers with basic firearms handling skills and realistic scenario based training to place officers in stressful use of force situations to sharpen their tactical thinking and reactions. This group training promotes a team concept and approach to problem solving. Our annual training program addresses a variety of topics most of which are driven and required by CALEA. These topics include but are not limited to:

- * Use of Force
- * Firearms training and qualification
- * Less than Lethal Weapons
- * Vehicle Operations
- * Control Tactics
- * Bias Based Profiling
- * Holding Facility/Fire Suppression
- * Bloodborne Pathogens



Commander Erik Mahan's graduation from Northwestern Staff and Command in May 2015

CAREER DEVELOPMENT/TRAINING RESOURCES

Some of the training resources are, but not limited to:

- * North East Multi Regional Training, Inc. (NEMRT)
- * Northwestern University Center for Public Safety (NUCPS)
- * Suburban Law Enforcement Academy (SLEA)
- * Police Training Institute (PTI)
- * Law Enforcement Training, Inc.
- * Kane County State's Attorney's Office
- * U.S. Department of Justice
- * The Federal Bureau of Investigation
- * National Insurance Crime Bureau
- * Pepperball Technologies
- * Street Smart Seminars
- * Illinois Truck Enforcement Association
- * Illinois State Police
- * Illinois Attorney General's Office
- * Illinois Association of Traffic Accident Investigators



Training & Accreditation Coordinator, Guy Hoffrage, assisting in a Department tour

NEMRT Training

North East Multi Regional Training continues to be one of the most economical training resources for our Department. In 2015, 54 employees attended 21 different NEMRT courses for a total of 776 hours. The annual NEMRT membership is \$90.00 per member.



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The St. Charles Police Department hosted 6 NEMRT classes in 2015-Basic Background Investigations, Latent Print Technology, 40 Hour Crisis Intervention, 40 Hour Basic Truck Enforcement, Verbal Judo and Use of Force Report Writing.

Northwestern University Center for Public Safety

Commander Mahan attended the School of Police Staff and Command for a total of 400 hours.

Investigations

The Investigations Division is continually called upon to investigate a wide variety of crimes and in an effort to stay current with the latest techniques and trends, detectives attended 450 hours of training in 2015 in addition to the monthly in-house training.

Firearms Training/Use of Force

- * All sworn officers participated in firearms training conducted quarterly.
- * All sworn officers attended rifle training.
- * All sworn officers attended Tactical Simunitions training.
- * All sworn officers participated in Control Tactics training held quarterly.
- * All sworn officers completed the annual Use of Force examination.
- * All sworn officers completed TASER recertification.
- * All sworn officers completed a Pepperball Refresher course.
- * All sworn officers completed OC and Baton Refresher training.
- * Off duty weapons qualification and training was provided to all sworn officers that own/carry off duty firearms.

K9 Training

Officer Anson and Aries attended bi-monthly K-9 Maintenance training skills.

SWAT Team

The St. Charles Police Department is a member of Kane County SWAT Team, which is a multi-jurisdictional team. This team is deployed in the event of an active shooter, barricaded gunman, or similar event taking place. Officer McCowan attended Close Protection Detail. Officer Krupke attended Solo Officer Active Threat Response. Officer Anson and Officer McCowan attended the Illinois Tactical Officers Association Conference. Additionally, SWAT officers trained, on average, twice a month for a total of 740 hours to maintain their state of readiness.

In-House Training

The 10-hour schedule provides an opportunity for In-House training at little or no additional expense to the Police Department. In addition to the firearms and use of force topics listed above, the following are topics of instruction provided to all sworn personnel with the exception of those personnel off on benefit time or attending court when the instruction was offered.

- * Alcohol, Tobacco and Massage Ordinance Review
- * Below 100 Instruction
- * Mobile Report Writing
- * HAZMAT Training
- * Fire Suppression
- * Photo Lineup
- * NARCAN training
- * Emergency Vehicle Operator
- * Law Review
- * Microsoft Outlook
- * Proper Lifting
- * PowerDMS training

The St. Charles Police Department was able to gain additional training with a limited budget by serving as a host site for police training. 27 officers attended a variety of classes free of charge in exchange for the use of the training room and/or the St. Charles Police Department Public Safety Training Facility.



COMMUNITY RESTITUTION

Prepared by Community Restitution Coordinator Dan Orland

The St. Charles Police Department serves as a not-for-profit work site for those who are required by the courts to perform community restitution. The program, now in its twelfth year, matches defendants with tasks all over the City.

Since its inception in 2004, 2,292 workers have completed 167,907 hours of work for the City. This has resulted in a total monetary savings of \$2,188,672. This figure is calculated using the average of the state minimum wage and an entry level laborer for the City.

The following are examples of the work performed during 2015:

- ⇒ Daily pickup of trash and cigarette butts in the downtown area, all of the City owned parking lots, and the east and west side parking garages.
- ⇒ Emptied trashcans around the City Campus, City-owned parking lots, and the east and west side parking garages – for a total of 2,060 bags.
- ⇒ Collected 585 bags of trash from 43 Right of Ways around the City.
- ⇒ Pulled 149 bags of weeds around various places in St. Charles.
- ⇒ Snow shoveling in front of businesses in the downtown area and around the Police Department.
- ⇒ Spider web removal from the east and west side parking garages.
- ⇒ Graffiti removal.
- ⇒ Mowing and general landscaping of abandoned/foreclosed properties.
- ⇒ General maintenance at the Heritage Center Museum.
- ⇒ General maintenance at the Police Department's range.
- ⇒ Washing of City-owned vehicles.
- ⇒ General maintenance in the lobby of City Hall.

Total equivalent City project savings is another direct savings to the City. Workers with specialized skills are assigned tasks that would normally be contracted through a private company. Examples of these tasks completed by restitution workers include: painting, carpentry, refuse collection from public garbage cans in the downtown area and in the two public parking garages. This has resulted in a direct savings to the City this year of \$328,492. This is money that would have been paid to a private contractor to complete needed work. These are projects that are not assigned to City workers.

To date, monetary savings along with the total equivalent City project savings has compiled to a grand total of \$2,517,164.

The program continues to receive accolades from people all over the City who notice the benefits and improvements from the program.





TRI-COM

Prepared by Tri-Com Executive Director Stacy Hall

During 2015, Tri-Com processed 129,531 inbound and outbound telephone calls, which resulted in 98,949 calls for dispatch. Out of the total calls, 37,779 were calls received via the 9-1-1 emergency number. 67.46% of Tri-Com's 9-1-1 calls were received from wireless devices.

Calls for service by community and contract agency in 2015 were:

St. Charles – 29.96%
 Batavia – 26.85%
 Geneva – 20.69%
 Tri-City Ambulance – 6.98%
 Elburn and Elburn FPD – 6.09%
 Sugar Grove and Sugar Grove FPD – 7.28%
 North Aurora FPD – 1.99%
 Waubonsee Campus Police – 0.15%



Staffing

Tri-Com is authorized to hire 18 full-time dispatchers and currently has two immediate openings. One trainee made it out of training in early 2016, with two more scheduled to be out of training by the end of the first quarter of 2016. By the end of second quarter in 2016, Tri-Com will hire two new employees. Hiring and retention continues to be a challenge in this industry with an average turnover of 19% nationwide. Staff plans to test quarterly for 2016 in an effort to have plenty of candidates in the pipeline when vacancies occur.

Collective Bargaining

The current labor contract will expire April 30, 2017.

Budget

The budget increase this year is approximately 1.3%. Tri-Com will not receive reimbursement from the ETSB for any portion of CAD maintenance and dispatcher training (except for EMD related training) due to ETSB budget cuts and reduced hardline money.

Fiscal Year 2016 Projects

CAD Replacement – Tri-Com awarded the contract to Sungard Public Sector 3rd quarter of 2015. Implementation of the new system is in full process. Tri-Com's projected cutover date for the new CAD/MDC system is first week of August, 2016.

Radio Infrastructure – The Tri-Com Board of Directors will issue an Request for Proposal (RFP) end of first quarter 2016 to hire a consultant for a full assessment of Tri-Com's radio communications system. The goal of the consultant process is to assess all of the existing Land Mobile Radio Systems owned by Tri-Com and member agencies, and provide detailed recommendations on the next generation system, develop a project plan to implement and identify budgetary costs. Tri-Com may solicit the same vendor to provide technical and project management support during system procurement and implementation phases of the radio communications replacement project.

Text to 9-1-1 – Text to 9-1-1 will deploy in Kane County on March 1, 2016. All callers are strongly urged to **"Call if they can, text if they can't!"**



EMPLOYEE UPDATES

Those who joined us in 2015...



**Officer
Jose Jacobo**



**Officer
Jennifer Bresnahan**



**Officer
Luis Vargas**



**Officer
Joe Dony**



**Records Specialist
Hilaria Garcia**

...and those who left us.



**Deputy Chief
Steve Huffman**
Retired after 22 years
with the St. Charles
Police Dept.



**Sergeant
Lin Dargis**
Retired after 26 years
with the St. Charles
Police Dept.



**Officer
Joanne Pawlak**
Retired after 26 years
with the St. Charles
Police Dept.



**Records Specialist
Sandy Hansen**
Retired after 25 years
with the St. Charles
Police Dept.



**Records Specialist
Connie Davis**



Years of Service



JOHNATHON LOSURDO
STEVE WOLOSZYK



NIC ANSON
CHUCK CRUMLETT
NICOLE KOTSY
CORY KRUPKE
BRETT RUNKLE
SCOTT SANDERS



RICH CLARK
ERIC MAJEWSKI
HEIDI SCALETTA
JERRY SCHOMER



DREW LAMELA
MIKE ROSS



TIM BEAM
MIKE GRIESBAUM
DAVE KINTZ
DARRIN LEE

St. Charles Police Department Awards

Lifesaving Award

SERGEANT ROGER ANDERSON
OFFICER STEVE HEIKE
COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICER RYAN BEETER

Award of Merit

DEPUTY CHIEF DAVID KINTZ
SERGEANT ERIC MAJEWSKI

Kane County Officer of the Year Nominee

OFFICER TIM BEAM

Distinguished Service

DEPUTY CHIEF STEVE HUFFMAN

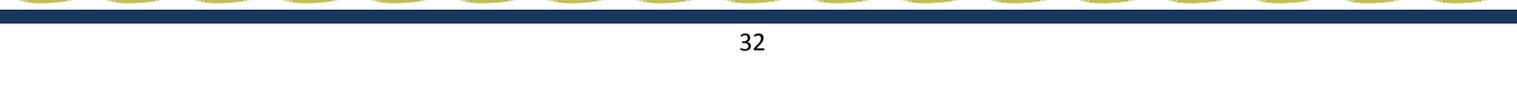
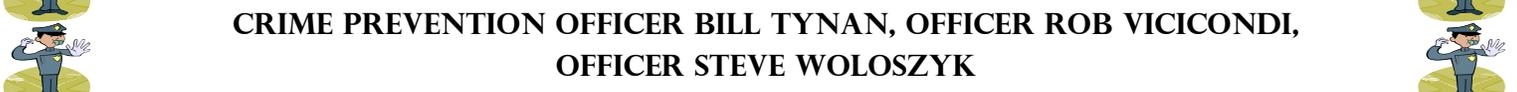
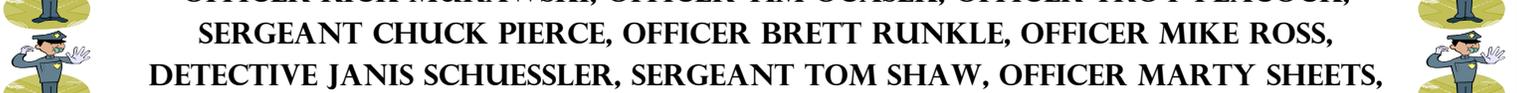
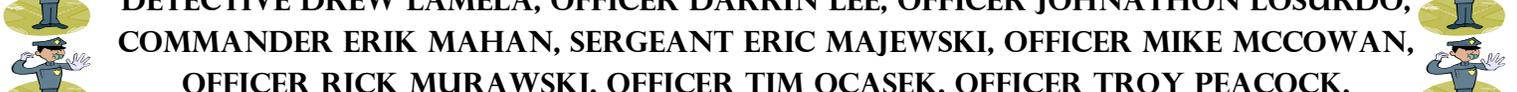
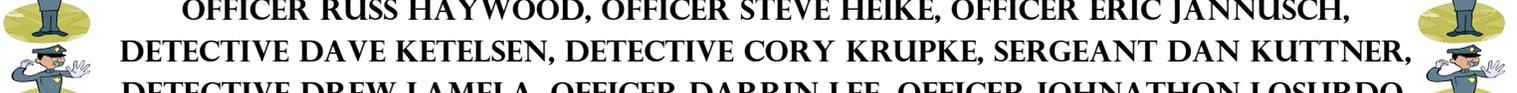
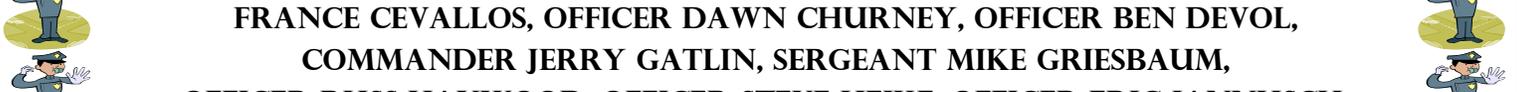


The St. Charles Police Department would like to congratulate the following Officers for earning Certificates of Appreciation from AAIM: Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists:



**ERIC BAUWENS
JOHNATHON LOSURDO
TIM OCASEK
JOANNE PAWLAK**

Letters of Appreciation



**OFFICER MELINDA ANYON, OFFICER CRAIG BAHE, OFFICER TIM BEAM,
COMMANDER STEVE BEDELL, OFFICER BROOKS BOYCE, OFFICER JIM BURDEN,
FRANCE CEVALLOS, OFFICER DAWN CHURNEY, OFFICER BEN DEVOL,
COMMANDER JERRY GATLIN, SERGEANT MIKE GRIESBAUM,
OFFICER RUSS HAYWOOD, OFFICER STEVE HEIKE, OFFICER ERIC JANNUSCH,
DETECTIVE DAVE KETELSEN, DETECTIVE CORY KRUPKE, SERGEANT DAN KUTTNER,
DETECTIVE DREW LAMELA, OFFICER DARRIN LEE, OFFICER JOHNATHON LOSURDO,
COMMANDER ERIK MAHAN, SERGEANT ERIC MAJEWSKI, OFFICER MIKE MCCOWAN,
OFFICER RICK MURAWSKI, OFFICER TIM OCASEK, OFFICER TROY PEACOCK,
SERGEANT CHUCK PIERCE, OFFICER BRETT RUNKLE, OFFICER MIKE ROSS,
DETECTIVE JANIS SCHUESSLER, SERGEANT TOM SHAW, OFFICER MARTY SHEETS,
CRIME PREVENTION OFFICER BILL TYNAN, OFFICER ROB VICICONDI,
OFFICER STEVE WOLOSZYK**



Community Kudos

Thank you to all for the support throughout 2015. Many thoughtful gifts were delivered, including cards and letters from local schools; and kind and supportive notes and letters from the community. We thank you all for your encouragement!

"I want to thank you both so much for changing my flat tire on such a cold day New Year's Day. It was greatly appreciated—you both went beyond the call of duty!"

"Thank you for stopping at our house to let us know our garage door was still open—this was really appreciated. Nice to know your department has our best interests in mind. God Bless."

"Thank you so much for checking that our door was locked. I can't thank you enough for your services!"

"I would like to express my thanks and appreciation for the assistance your Department provided to the Geneva Police Department. We truly appreciated the spirit of partnership shown by your Department."

"She was very professional and made me feel very comfortable talking to her. I'm glad she's a part of the St. Charles Police Force! Thanks Officer Lisa Ferguson!"

"Please pass on my heartfelt gratitude and the thanks of my entire family to these officers who serve and protect every day and were the first crucial link in saving my mother's life. Thank you to Officers Losurdo and Devol, and Sergeant Kuttner."

"Officer Vicicondi's level of devotion to the community is a true testament to how your department and officers differentiate themselves and exceed the standards of law enforcement. There is no way to properly articulate my appreciation for all of his empathy and time."

"From the street officers, up to the chief, thank you for giving so much of your life to serving and protecting others."

"For everything you've done, for being the special people that you are, thank you so very much."

"As a parent and resident of the Fox Valley area, I cannot thank you enough for all your efforts, professionalism, and commitment. It must often seem thankless and hopeless, and certainly dangerous work. Please know how much you are appreciated by the residents in St. Charles."

"On this Thanksgiving Day, I thought I would take a moment to thank the St. Charles Police Department for the wonderful job you do for our community."

"Thank you...from a very grateful mother, to Sergeant Pierce and Officers Murawski and Devol."

"Thank you to Officer Sheets for his kindness and comfort; you are a wonderful representative of the SCPD!"

"Please thank the dispatchers and Officer Heike for all they did. Thank you, as well, for such a wonderful police department. I know that a police department reflects on its leadership and vice versa. Again, thank you and I wish you and your department a happy, healthy, and safe 2016."

"Thank you so much for making us feel so safe in our community. We appreciate everything you do. THANK YOU! xo, The St. Charles North Student Council."

"Thank you for risking your life. You put your life on the line every day for us. You are not an ordinary person—you are a hero! Sincerely, Landon—Richmond Intermediate School."



Memorable Moments of 2015

