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Director's Message

Since taking the helm as Director of the Illinois State Police (ISP) just a few months ago, I have marveled at the dedication and hard work that exemplifies the proud heritage of this agency. Within these pages, the Illinois State Police provides highlights of some of our more significant accomplishments that occurred during calendar year 2008. Illustrated are just some of the examples of the outstanding work that is performed each day throughout this agency.

In this report you'll read, for example, about catastrophic flooding early in 2008, the tragic Northern Illinois University campus shooting, impressive seizures of illegal drugs and money, and President-elect Obama's visit to Illinois. The common thread throughout these tragedies and triumphs is that, when called upon to protect and serve our citizens, time and again the men and women of the ISP served admirably.

With significant challenges still ahead, I look to the future of the ISP with great enthusiasm because of what I am witness to each and every day.



Director's Message

I am confident in this agency's ability to squarely meet and handle anything that comes our way. We are proud of the agency's service to and protection of the people of Illinois, and with each passing day, we rededicate ourselves to the principles of Integrity, Service, and Pride.

Sincerely,



Jonathon E. Monken
Director



2008 Floods

In 2008, spring storms brought heavy rainfall throughout Illinois which resulted in rising water levels on many of the rivers. Land and home owners began sandbagging the banks of the Mississippi and Wabash Rivers in an attempt to reinforce the levees. As water levels continued to rise, several command posts were established in an attempt to monitor water levels and levee conditions. Because rising water levels left a number of areas virtually inaccessible by land, the Illinois State Police Air Operations Bureau was requested to assist in agency efforts.

Mississippi Flooding

In June 2008, flood waters were fast approaching the epic levels of 1993 all along the Mississippi River. As a result, the stress on levee systems along the waterway began failing with levee breaks in Iowa, Missouri, and Illinois. As systems failed, the ISP responded with personnel and resources. Major levee breaches occurred first in District 20 and then District 14 which are located near the Mississippi.



District 20

On June 18, 2008, at approximately 1 a.m., the Hunt - Lima levee broke near the town of Meyer, with 17,029 acres of farmland being flooded and more than 285 homes affected, resulting in the evacuation of the town. District 20 responded with command and patrol personnel to Mendon, Illinois, to establish an emergency operations center and began providing security for the affected area. At approximately 6 a.m. the same day, the Indian Graves lower levee breached, resulting in an additional 12,075 acres being flooded.

Over the next few days, rain continued to soak the area resulting in the Sny 1 and Sny 2 levee systems becoming a major concern for a breach. Due to the critical status of the Sny levee (nearly 54 miles in length), additional ISP officers were requested for evacuation, security, and traffic control. District 20 resources were in constant demand as local law enforcement requested patrol coverage assistance

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due to deputies being assigned to flood-related duties. District 9 and Critical Incident Response Command, when called upon for additional assistance, deployed officers and resources in order to fulfill law enforcement requests. As officers from area districts and command responded, a base station was established at the Pittsfield High School where officers set up emergency accommodations and began deployment into the affected area.

In addition to the flood-related response, District 20 personnel prepared and executed operational plans for the visits of dignitaries to the flood areas, including President-elect Barack Obama.

District 14

During June and July, catastrophic flooding from the Mississippi River occurred in both Hancock and Henderson counties. The disaster impacted thousands of residents as their homes were destroyed, businesses damaged, and both highways and bridges closed for extended periods. District 14 officers were among the first to respond to the affected areas and provided up-to-the-minute information on the threatening, advancing flood waters, ensuring residents were not in harm's way. Officers also participated in planning with local, county, state, and federal officials to ensure needed resources were identified, acquired, and available when needed. Specific actions included telecommunicators and support staff providing prompt responses to hundreds of flood-related telephone inquiries for support and information. Troopers provided a uniform



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presence at traffic control points, ensuring only authorized vehicles had access to affected areas. Officers also assisted local police in responding to the increase in emergency calls for service. The destruction was extensive; however, no serious injuries or deaths occurred.

The effectiveness of Illinois State Police coordination and communication also included an early morning Carthage Lake levee break in Henderson County. The Mississippi River rapidly flowed through the break leaving citizens calling for emergency help. Through the use of the STARCOM radio system, prior coordination was established with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources Conservation Police to rescue citizens by boat. Due to the availability of helicopters from a Burlington, Iowa, hospital and the Illinois Department of Transportation, additional citizens were rescued by helicopter.

Wabash River Flooding



A significant flood incident in Lawrence County required the scheduling and assignment of more than 40 District 12 sworn officers to a unified command system to manage the situation. During the operation, June 10 through July 8, personnel, in a cooperative effort with local, state, and federal agencies, assisted in the evacuation and provided security and subsistence to more than 200 displaced residents. The ISP provided 24-hour flood patrol coverage for the Lawrence County area for the next 29 days. The flooding was the result of heavy rains that created levee breaks in the Wabash and Embarrass Rivers.

The Illinois State Police clearly demonstrated their commitment and concern for the communities impacted by the floods of 2008. The rapid police response and deployment of resources, as well as the inter-agency cooperation and coordination, were truly instrumental in minimizing the negative impact experienced by the public.

NIU Shooting



On February 14, 2008, Steven P. Kazmierczak, armed with a shotgun and two pistols, entered Room 101 at the Fay-Cooper Cole Hall on the campus of Northern Illinois University where 160 students were attending a geology class. Kazmierczak entered through a rear doorway behind the stage of the auditorium, and without saying a word, immediately began shooting into the crowded lecture hall, killing five students and wounding 16 others before taking his own life. The ISP, along with local law enforcement agencies, responded immediately to render medical aid to the injured, secure the scene, and restore order to the devastated university community.

ISP Investigators were joined by members of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms, Federal Bureau of Investigation, and DeKalb city and sheriff's police departments to investigate the horrendous criminal act. ISP Zone 1 personnel were responsible for locating and interviewing students that were in Cole Hall at the time of the shooting, some of which had left the campus. As the investigation continued, Zone 1 Investigators, with the assistance of the Zone Intelligence Officer, followed up on 413 leads. The Statewide Intelligence Center was also used extensively in order to obtain current and accurate information pertaining to the case. Through their diligence, Zone 1 personnel obtained enough relevant information from the traumatized students to recreate the day's events.



Budget

Fiscal Years 2008 & 2009

Final Appropriations (\$ in Thousands)

	<i>FY08</i>	<i>FY09</i>
Administration	29,636.6	30,039.1
Information Services Bureau	12,791.5	13,381.1
Operations	300,425.7	307,519.6
Racetrack	-	-
Financial Fraud & Forgery	5,312.1	5,363.2
Forensic Services	64,219.5	67,162.2
Internal Investigation	2,345.1	2,559.2
Shared Services	1,957.5	1,957.5
Total Appropriations	416,688.0	427,981.9

Total Expenditures by Major Object Code (\$ in Thousands)

		<i>(Estimated)</i>
Personal Services & Fringe Benefits	279,017.7	288,909.3
Contractual	11,175.0	10,843.6
Travel	574.8	532.2
Commodities	2,271.9	2,467.9
Printing	296.9	323.8
Equipment	1,275.1	1,199.4
Electronic Data Processing	1,993.5	1,997.1
Telecommunications	6,180.6	6,930.7
Operation of Automotive Equipment	13,060.5	11,801.9
Total Other Expenditures	46,641.1	49,032.7
Total Other Line Items	5,277.9	5,622.8
Total Expenditures	367,765.0	379,661.4

Grant Resources (\$ in Thousands)

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

Medicaid Fraud	<i>FY08</i>	<i>FY09</i>
	7,189.0	6,792.0

U.S Department of Homeland Security

Homeland Security	6,090.7	6,598.6
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Budget



Final Appropriations (\$ in Thousands)

Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council

Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention	902.5	1,262.0
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U.S. Department of Justice

Backlog Reduction	2,273.3	2,273.3
Convicted Offenders DNA Backlog	14.6	-
COPS Record Management	281.0	272.2
COPS Universal	421.8	5.6
Crimes Against Seniors Programs (CASP)	170.5	268.5
CSI Mobile Data Computers	14.0	-
Detection & Eradication of Illicit Marijuana Fields	267.9	257.9
DNA Capacity Enhancement Program	2,202.9	2,176.7
Drug Endangered Children	63.4	0.6
Encryption of Criminal Justice Data	24.1	21.5
Encryption of LEADS Data	10.1	10.1
Forensic Casework DNA Backlog Reduction	793.0	3,041.8
Methamphetamine	100.6	77.7
Methamphetamine Response Teams	450.0	179.9
Methamphetamine Training	158.4	153.1
National Forensic Science Improvement Act Program	320.5	784.3
Operation Campus Teen Alcohol Party (TAP)	125.0	120.0
Solving Cold Cases with DNA	401.0	360.0
Weapon Inventory and Training	49.3	49.3

U.S. Department of Transportation

Highway Safety Program	5,168.8	4,380.6
Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program	11,892.5	11,319.0

Total Resources	39,384.9	40,404.7
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Grant Expenditures (\$ in Thousands)

Metropolitan Enforcement Groups	1,170.0	1,170.0
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Total Expenditures	1,170.0	1,170.0
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Inside the ISP Evidence Vault



Violent Crimes Initiative Unit

On August 1, 2008, the Violent Crimes Initiative Unit (VCIU) was activated by District Chicago to focus on violent crimes involving narcotics, unlawful use of weapons, weapon recoveries, and cash seizures in connection with criminal activity. Although the VCIU was only operational for six months in 2008, members issued 2,923 citations, 3,146 written warnings, 673 caution gang alerts, and made 284 miscellaneous criminal arrests. In addition, the VCIU has accounted for 27 arrests for unlawful possession of cannabis (66,050.19 grams), 3 arrests for unlawful possession of heroin (17.3 grams), 4 arrests for unlawful possession of cocaine (103 grams), and 2 arrests for unlawful possession of ecstasy (19 pills). Sixteen arrests were made for unlawful use of a weapon, and 50 weapons were seized. The Violent Crimes Initiative Unit's efforts also contributed to the seizure of \$112,974.00 USC.

The VCIU is also partnered in their efforts with the Chicago Police Department's Mobile Strike Force Unit and has built a strong and beneficial alliance through the utilization of cross training and sharing of intelligence. The accomplishments of the Violent Crimes Initiative Unit have been tangible from its inception, and can only serve as a positive impact toward the reduction in violent crimes.



VCIU Platoon 16 (from left): Troopers Santos Orta and Brian Walker, Sergeant Al Ulcigrai, Trooper Ada Ortiz, Master Sergeant Dave Byrd, and Troopers John Paprocki, Mike Dolis and Jose Nevarez.



VCIU Platoon 19 (back row, from left): Troopers Scott Payne, Pat Manno, Ed Nowak, Jose Alvarez and Brian Epps. Front row: Sergeant Tim Tyler, Trooper Nick Farnesi, Master Sergeant Mimi Madrigal, and Troopers Jose DeAvila and Jon Randle-El.

Road Safety Assessment

Thirteen ISP Troopers learned how to resolve problem areas on roadways — and prevent potential ones from occurring — after attending Road Safety Assessment (RSA) training conducted by the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT); the same course IDOT presents to traffic safety engineers. The Troopers now work with local IDOT road engineers, sheriffs, and police chiefs in developing engineering projects which can improve safety for motorists. The improvements can range from simple solutions such as adding road markings to warn motorists, or cutting down a tree to improve visibility, to an in-depth engineering study. With the addition of these officers, the ISP now has 56 trained and certified Troopers in RSA concepts including all Traffic Crash Reconstruction Officers (TCROs) and Safety Education Officers (SEOs).



A crash that occurred in July on Old Amrion Road in Massac County was the impetus to the Road Safety Assessment.



As the roadway is viewed in the daylight, it curves to the left, which is nearly impossible to see when one is driving. IDOT engineers suggested lighting and on-coming curve signs.

Presidential Details

The Illinois State Police played an integral role at two of the major events in then-Senator Barack Obama's presidential race. In February, the Motorcycle Enforcement Bureau was part of the processional escort originating from the Old State Capitol in downtown Springfield where Senator Obama announced he would be running for the office of President.

After winning the election, District Chicago assisted the Chicago Police Department and United States Secret Service with maintaining order and security for President-Elect Barack Obama's election rally at Hutchinson Field/Grant Park in November. Beyond the normal security concerns, this historic event presented a unique security challenge due to an anticipated one million spectators to the downtown Chicago area. An undertaking of this magnitude centered and relied on the seamless and professional coordination between the Illinois State Police and other agencies involved in the venture.



Downtown Springfield in February 2008 when then-Senator Barack Obama announced his candidacy for president.

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Then-Senator Barack Obama greets Motorcycle Enforcement Officers (from left) Troopers Steve Barrett, Mike Severino, and Galen Cornett; Sergeants Mark Oldani, (District 9) and Dan Carter. Partially hidden behind Obama are Troopers Dave Sipe and Byron Farthing.

During President-Elect Obama's visit to Chicago, the Illinois State Police provided support and personnel in the following manner: crowd control teams, TRT counter assault teams for the personal security of Obama, including two Hurricane watercraft for dignitary rescue and security along the coast of Lake Michigan, traffic control, and covert agents assisting the Chicago Police Department and United States Secret Service with crowd monitoring and intelligence

gathering. More than 250 personnel were dedicated to the event including personnel from crowd control teams from Regions 1 and 2, Agents from Zone 1 Investigations, and Critical Incident Response Command (CIRCOM). The collective efforts of all personnel involved resulted in a successful and uneventful operation, as the estimated crowd of approximately 240,000 remained peaceful with no arrests being made by the Illinois State Police.

Forensic Milestones

Springfield Forensic Science Laboratory moves to the Southern Illinois University Combined Laboratory Complex

On October 2, 2008, the new Springfield Forensic Science Laboratory was dedicated on the Southern Illinois University (SIU) School of Medicine campus. The new facility is designed and built as a laboratory with the appropriate environmental, mechanical, and engineering controls and consists of “state of the art” laboratory space for all occupants. The space is shared with the SIU School of Medicine and Illinois Department of Public Health.

The move to the new facility was accomplished in two weeks with the relocation of scientific equipment, evidence, chemicals, research materials, case files, firearms reference collection, master case files, computers, and other materials. ISP personnel were instrumental in ensuring little to no disruption of service was experienced by law enforcement agencies served by the Springfield Laboratory.



DFS Colonel Scott Giles, Capital Development Board Executive Director James Riemer, Former ISP Director Larry Trent, Forensic Sciences Commander Donna Metzger, Bureau Chief Robert Davis, Lab Director Brenda Phyllis

After the successful relocation, an on-site audit was conducted by Forensic Quality Services International (FQS-I) personnel for compliance with International Organization for Standardization (ISO) standards. The auditor reviewed all aspects of laboratory operations, focusing on evidence, security, and the facility. The auditor expressed his amazement with the new facility and how smoothly the transition was made from one facility to another. Maintaining accreditation is an essential part of forensic analysis, and a significant achievement of which the ISP is particularly proud.

Illinois State Police reach milestone with 10,000th Automated Fingerprint Identification System latent print hit

The ISP reached a milestone when the Forensic Sciences Command made its 10,000th Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) hit — only two

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other states have reached 10,000 hits — Texas and California. The ISP uses the NEC Corporation of America AFIS which is a computerized database of fingerprints from known individuals and unknown latent fingerprints from crime scenes. Currently, there are over five million “ten print” fingerprint records on file at the Bureau of Identification, as well as approximately 12,300 unknown latent fingerprints.

“NEC considers itself a partner with law enforcement,” said Barry Fisher, Vice President, Identification Solutions Division, NEC Corporation of America. “Milestones such as this 10,000th identification mark a win for the Illinois State Police, for NEC, and above all, a win for the people of the state of Illinois. NEC is committed to developing ever faster and more accurate identification solutions to help law enforcement solve crimes and identify criminals.”



“AFIS has revolutionized the identification process for law enforcement due to the accuracy and speed at which a positive hit can occur. Technological advancements in the field of forensic science like AFIS play a major role in identifying those who are guilty of committing crimes and holding them accountable.”

Former ISP Director Larry Trent

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1,500th Integrated Ballistics Identification System Hit

Through the National Integrated Ballistics Information Network (NIBIN) program, which was developed by a partnership between the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (BATF), Integrated Ballistics Identification System (IBIS) equipment is used to compare firearms-related evidence stored in the database. The IBIS digitally captures images of fired bullets and fired cartridge cases from crime scenes, as well as test fires from recovered firearms. When a new image is entered into IBIS, the system searches the existing database for a match. When a possible match is observed, a Firearms Examiner must then compare the actual evidence with a comparison microscope. Once an identification has been made by examining the actual evidence, a “hit” is noted in the system. A hit is defined as a linkage of at least two different criminal investigations where there previously had been no known connection. The NIBIN allows for links between investigations across jurisdictional boundaries.



Former Director Trent being interviewed by the press at the opening of the new Springfield Lab.

In July 2008, an Analyst at the Forensic Science Center at Chicago conducted a review of 25 discharged cartridge cases, along with a few bullet fragments from an aggravated battery case. The Analyst was able to separate the discharged cartridge cases into four different groups, which represented four different firearms. Information from each group was entered into IBIS and all four generated hits. These hits represent an IBIS milestone. Soon thereafter, a representative from the regional NIBIN Branch and BATF presented the Forensic Science Center at Chicago an award for achieving its 1,500th hit.

New Technology & Equipment – Forensic Sciences Command

The Research and Development DNA Coordinator has been validating a new technique known as miniSTRs. As part of the validation

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process, the technique was used on non-probative casework. During this phase of the validation, ISP was able to solve a case which was more than 30 years old.

In July 1976, 24-year-old Kathleen McSharry, a junior at Southern Illinois University (SIU) Carbondale, was found fatally stabbed in her home. There was no murder weapon, no motive, and no sign of forced entry. There were similarities to another fatal stabbing which took place January 27, 1975. The victim in that case was Theresa Clark, a 22-year-old SIU student. Ultimately, neither murder was solved.

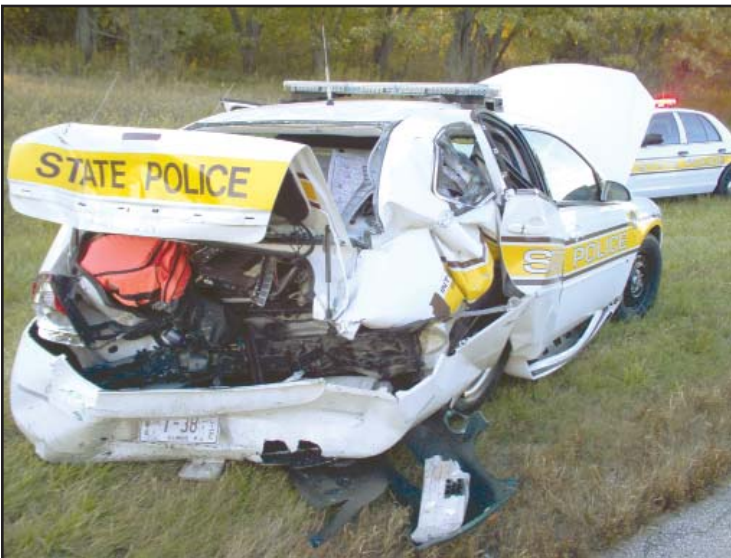
Part of the evidence available for analysis was fingernail scrapings from the victim. Since the samples were limited and approximately 31 years old, Research Coordinator William Frank selected this case for part of his validation study. The case was considered non-probative since the suspect, John Paul Phillips, died while incarcerated for another murder. Mr. Phillips was previously thought to be linked to this and another case by statements he made to a cell mate. The work done by the Research and Development DNA Coordinator helped close the McSharry case, and because of the credibility it gives the cell mate's story about Mr. Phillips' confession, it also helped close the second case which Mr. Phillips said he committed...the murder of Theresa Clark.



Public Act 95-1009

In 2008, approximately 40% of ISP vehicles had less than 80,000 miles, and nearly 50% with more than 120,000 miles. Efforts to ensure the safety of employees in high mileage vehicles were taken after ISP squad cars experienced two brake failures and a broken axle within a short period of time. The ISP immediately implemented mandatory undercarriage inspections of 442 vehicles exceeding 180,000 miles, resulting in 44% of the vehicles failing safety inspections and 47 vehicles being permanently placed out of service.

Working with members of the Illinois General Assembly to identify funding to replace the aging fleet, the ISP was successful in the passage of Public Act 95-1009. Signed into law December 15, 2008, the bill amends the Illinois Vehicle Code and provides that beginning with the 2010 registration year, a \$1 surcharge shall be collected in addition to the vehicle registration fee to be deposited into the State Police Vehicle Fund. The additional money will provide the ISP with a consistent funding stream to replace its aging fleet.



Rust damage on the undercarriage of a squad car.

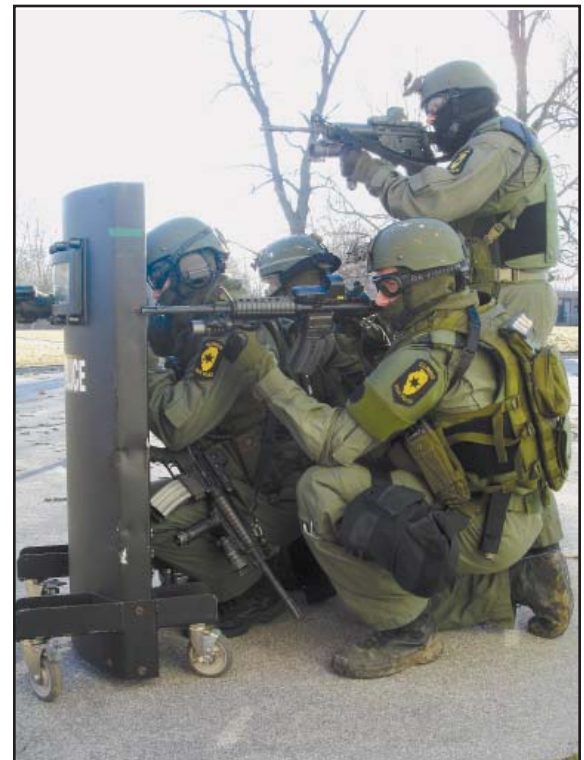
Officer Shooting



During a cannabis flight detection detail on September 17, 2008, in Williamson County, a Southern Illinois Enforcement Group (SIEG) Inspector observed a large cannabis grow operation beside a residence. On September 22, Illinois State Police Technical Services Agents installed a surveillance camera near the cannabis plants. While servicing the surveillance camera on September 24, officers observed 61-year-old William A. Patrich, owner of the residence, tending the plants. A search warrant was then obtained on September 24 for Patrich's residence in Carbondale.

On September 25, at approximately 7:15 a.m., ISP TRT South officers attempted to serve the search warrant at Patrich's residence while SIEG Agents and Williamson County Sheriffs Deputies maintained the perimeter. When TRT officers approached the door and announced themselves, they were met with a hail of gunfire from within the residence, striking Troopers Brian Dickmann and Darren Lindsey. The gunman, later identified as Patrich, was fatally wounded by return fire from the Tactical Response Team.

The injured Troopers were transported to Memorial Hospital in Carbondale for treatment. Lindsey, struck in the lower extremity, was treated and released. Dickmann, struck in the forehead and right arm, was hospitalized in stable condition.



Crash Statistics

An ice-covered roadway contributed to this December 2008 crash involving two school buses and four other vehicles on Illinois Route 48 in Christian County. Fortunately, only minor injuries were reported for three of the drivers. The driver of one of the buses was cited for Failure to Reduce Speed/Driving Too Fast For Conditions.



The ISP handled 46,770
total crashes in 2008

Top Three Causes

Speed	12,263
Improper lane use	8,560
Animal	6,279

Fatal crashes	255
Fatalities	291



Cadet Class 116



ISP Cadet Class 116 began on June 22, 2008, with 102 Cadets and graduated 86 Cadets on December 19, 2008. Cadets receive a 76-hour block of training devoted to Emergency Vehicle Operations Course (EVOC), 50 hours of Breath Analysis Operator and Standardized Field Sobriety Training (SFST), and 72 hours of Control and Arrest Tactics (CAT). Practical exercises, which are a significant part of Cadet training, include approximately 77 hours pertaining to traffic safety measures.



Drug Seizures

District 5

During 2008, District 5 aggressively patrolled interstates seeking to interdict illegal drugs flowing across our state's roadways. The Special Enforcement Team (SET) played an integral role in the interdiction effort by utilizing specialized training in this area of enforcement. SET members seized 470 grams of crack cocaine, 385 grams of powder cocaine, 98,055 grams of cannabis, 117 ecstasy tablets, 526 grams of heroin, and \$98,773 USC.

District 7

District 7 Troopers continued to demonstrate their ability and enthusiasm in reducing the supply of illegal drugs flowing through Illinois by making 26 significant narcotics seizures along Interstate 80. The district continues to lead the nation with major narcotic seizures along this corridor. Members of the District 7 Criminal Patrol program, an established and proven tool in the war against drugs, seized more than 1,495,478 grams of cannabis, 30,877 grams of cocaine, 259 grams of methamphetamine, and more than \$577,637 USC from those individuals desiring to make easy money through drug trafficking along I-80.

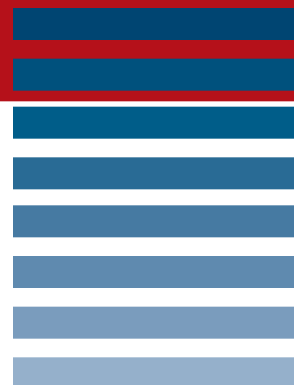
District 9

On December 5, 2008, at approximately 6 p.m., a BOLO (Be On the Look Out) message was dispatched for a suspected pick-up truck pulling a fifth-wheel camper with 1,000 pounds of cannabis in the trailer. The truck was reported to be on Interstate 70 headed to Boston. At 8:55 p.m., a District 9 Trooper was patrolling Interstate 55 and spotted a



Shown with 95 pounds of high grade marijuana seized by District 5 are Trooper Rick Zarate, Officer Darren Crask (Marseilles Police Department) with K-9 Ory, Trooper Chris Wilkes, and Trooper Jim Powell.

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truck and fifth-wheel camper travelling north in Logan County. The officer initiated a traffic stop on the truck for speeding and improper lane usage. As he approached the truck and camper, he realized this was the vehicle sent out on the BOLO. After conversations with the driver, he was able to gain consent to search. After a detailed search of the camper, two hidden compartments were found: a smaller compartment under the stairs and a larger compartment which ran the length of the trailer between the two frame rails. Both compartments were filled with bricks of cannabis with a total weight of 1,987 pounds. The Trooper convinced the driver to cooperate and arrangements were made to further the load to its final destination in Chicago. The investigation is on-going.



On March 21, 2008, District 7 Sergeant Clint Thulen observed two vehicles, which appeared to be traveling together, make a quick exit from the interstate and pull into a gas station. Upon further investigation, a voluntary consent to search the vehicles was granted which yielded approximately 1,500 pounds of cannabis going from Arizona to New Jersey.



A hidden compartment which ran the length of this trailer between the two frame rails was filled with bricks of cannabis.

Inter-Agency Enforcement

Iowa-Illinois Bridge Details

The Quad Cities is a large metropolitan area connected by three major interstate bridges (I-80, I-74, I-280) with an average daily traffic count of approximately 160,000 vehicles. Rock Island County, Illinois, and Scott County, Iowa, both have the highest fatality rate in their respective districts. In early 2008, District 7 personnel met with the Iowa State Patrol to discuss ways to impact the Quad Cities area by working together to reduce the number of crashes — most importantly fatal crashes — due to reckless and aggressive driving back and forth across the bridges on a daily basis.



The ISP began doing Iowa-Illinois bridge details in May 2008 by saturating the bridges and interstates on both sides of the river for visibility and heavy enforcement. The goal was not to necessarily write a large number of tickets, but to stop vehicles and create a presence that is not usually seen. The hope was it would curtail aggressive and reckless driving, as well as educate drivers throughout the Quad Cities. Another objective was to leave the impression for interstate travelers who may have thought that once they left one state with an influx of Troopers, they would probably be clear when entering the next state. The details usually had two Troopers work from the river to about six to

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eight miles into the state on each side on various days and times. Both agencies scheduled details each month during the summer and fall.

The results? Rock Island County saw a 43.5 percent reduction in fatalities over the five-year average, and a 53.3 percent reduction in fatalities from 2007 to 2008. The Iowa State Patrol also saw a reduction in fatalities in Scott County, with a 38.3 percent drop in fatalities over a five-year average, and 50 percent reduction in fatalities from 2007 to 2008. The details generated positive feedback for their visibility and helped produce a much stronger working relationship. Both agencies communicate on a regular basis and have begun to team up on other details outside of the bridge detail such as DUI patrols, interdiction efforts, and recruiting fairs.

NASCAR Brickyard 400 Safe Driving Initiative



The NASCAR Brickyard 400 Safe Driving Initiative is a partnership with the Indiana State Police which focuses on enforcement details and media activities. These efforts stress safe and sober driving on Interstate I-74 during the Brickyard 400 and Indianapolis 500 races in Indianapolis.

Fatal Five

2008 Fatal Five Citations by District Assignment

District	DUI	Speeding	Safety Belt	Following Too Close	Improper Lane Usage	Total IVC	Total Criminal	Total Citations
1	235	6,586	3,030	17	164	12,876	493	13,369
2	895	11,538	8,794	458	1,735	37,223	1,114	38,337
Chicago	1,182	9,461	11,257	696	3,674	52,487	2,115	54,602
5	583	9,019	4,589	485	1,180	27,268	796	28,064
6	585	5,217	2,764	39	533	13,300	1,093	14,393
7	490	4,352	3,474	59	224	11,552	879	12,431
8	267	4,676	4,701	32	170	14,341	1,019	15,360
9	719	9,157	6,858	50	462	22,316	970	23,286
10	866	6,252	6,341	53	560	20,060	837	20,897
11	742	11,164	9,337	96	901	34,663	3,712	38,375
12	491	8,346	5,551	39	388	19,697	1,430	21,127
13	445	7,953	9,377	53	379	24,869	1,112	25,981
14	217	1,938	2,492	6	40	6,174	962	7,136
15	2,665	26,267	16,350	1,093	5,693	82,756	1,237	83,993
16	283	5,648	4,222	68	249	15,475	584	16,059
17	246	4,516	2,582	52	253	9,832	491	10,323
18	387	7,886	4,564	51	245	17,863	1,004	18,867
19	183	5,297	4,504	16	107	13,760	631	14,391
20	313	5,608	5,176	8	140	14,269	889	15,158
21	161	4,514	2,418	82	262	10,892	436	11,328
22	428	5,196	3,083	15	222	11,975	690	12,665
50	74	33,512	7,003	141	345	48,504	478	48,982
Totals	12,457	194,103	128,466	3,609	17,926	522,152	22,972	545,124



Annual Awards



The ISP's Annual Awards Ceremony for 2008 was held on May 21, 2009, in Springfield. Officer of the Year Awards were presented to Trooper Christopher Owen, District 10, and Special Agent Joshua A. Anderton, Zone 4; Telecommunicator of the Year Award was given to Ms. Cheryl N. Thomas, District 19; and the Forensic Scientist of the Year Award was presented to Mr. Robert D. Reneau of the Morton Laboratory.

Officers of the Year

District 10 Trooper Christopher Owen was recognized for his vital role as one of the finest canine handlers along with his impeccable skills in drug interdiction. Trooper Owen and his canine partner, Xocko, are highly regarded in the areas of tracking, area searches, and narcotic interdiction. Trooper Owen and Xocko worked together to render one of their most successful seizures of \$2,768,996 in illegal narcotics, \$58,841 in currency, and another \$480,130 in property.

Over the course of 2008, Trooper Owen finished as the statewide leader with 26 weapons arrests. He also had 47 arrests for drug-related offenses, 117 criminal arrests, and assisted with another 61 arrests throughout the year. Although his arrests were many, the largest drug arrest captured over 110 pounds of cannabis, \$1,500 in cash, along with a small amount of Ecstasy.



Director Monk with Officer of the Year Trooper Christopher Owen.

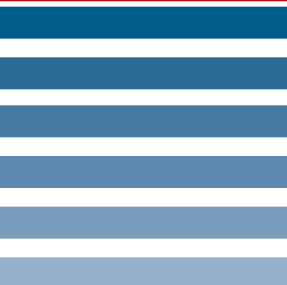


Director Monk with Officer of the Year Special Agent Joshua Anderton

Trooper Owen's exemplary performance and skills are substantiated with successful prosecution and an excellent reputation. He volunteers his personal time to provide canine demonstrations and presents information to school age children about drugs and alcohol. Trooper Owen always portrays a positive image of the Illinois State Police in all of his interactions.

Zone 4 Special Agent Joshua Anderton was recognized for his formidable effort in the area of investigations. During 2008, Special Agent Anderton opened 95 cases and recovered

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80 stolen vehicles with an estimated value of \$675,969, which accounted for over half of the dollar amount of all recovered stolen vehicles in the Peoria Tri-County area. His contributions also included 27 arrests. His abilities go far beyond auto theft investigations. While monitoring Peoria radio traffic, Special Agent Anderton heard a bank robbery dispatch and responded to the location. While other officers were unable to control the suspect who was ignoring their instructions, he was able to step in and gain control of the situation, thereby preventing any further escalation.

Forensic Scientist of the Year

Working in the Morton Laboratory as a Latent Print Examiner, Forensic Scientist of the Year, Mr. Robert Reneau, is an outstanding scientist who works diligently to produce high quality casework. In fact, one month he produced three times the amount of casework normally expected for that time frame. Mr. Reneau spent countless hours writing new procedures and policies for digital imaging, which resulted in more efficient casework and a reduced work load. In the summer of 2008, he shared his knowledge and expertise in the area of digital imaging by giving a presentation on the “Ins and Outs of Digital Imaging” at a local conference.

Mr. Reneau also published a paper in the Journal of Forensic Identification which has changed the way latent prints are identified and how latent print examiners testify in court. As a result of his efforts, previously unidentifiable prints are now linked to offenders, removing those individuals from society. Through this publication, Mr. Reneau has generated positive, worldwide feedback in the latent print arena and for the Illinois State Police.

In an extremely high-profile case, he provided critical analysis to identify the murderer’s palm print on a white plastic bag, and through his testimony, assisted in the sentencing of the defendant to 100 years in prison.

Telecommunicator of the Year

Telecommunicator of Year, Ms. Cheryl N. Thomas, is an eight-year veteran of the Illinois State Police assigned to District 19 in Carmi. Ms. Thomas has served as a member of the STARCOM 21 team for three years and continues to be heavily involved in developing STARCOM policies and procedures. When faced with problems, Ms. Thomas always takes the initiative to solve them.



*Director Monken with
Forensic Scientist of the
Year Robert Reneau*



*Director Monken with
Telecommunicator of the
Year Cheryl Thomas*

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For example, oftentimes phone numbers need to be traced for unresponsive callers or calls received without caller identification. District 19 receives several cellular calls from domestic violence victims whose cell phone is limited to calling 911 only. She contacted each of the cellular providers to obtain the proper procedures and contact numbers to initiate an emergency telephone number trace. Now calls can be easily traced and victims can get the help they need.



*Trooper James Adkisson
with Director Monken.*

Medal for Valor

District 14 Trooper James T. Adkisson was awarded the Department's Medal for Valor for his heroic efforts when rescuing a crash victim from a burning vehicle on April 6, 2008. While on patrol, Trooper Adkisson arrived at the scene of a crash and found a vehicle on its top and fully engulfed in flames. Two people were attempting to remove the subject from the vehicle when Trooper Adkisson crawled to the window, reached in and pulled the subject, who was wrapped in flames, from the vehicle on his second attempt. Trooper Adkisson and another motorist smothered the fire and pulled the subject away from the burning vehicle. Trooper Adkisson suffered second degree burns to his hands as a result of pulling the individual to safety. The victim, although badly burned, survived. The bravery displayed that day exemplifies the traits of a true hero.

(Trooper Adkisson was also presented with the Illinois Medal of Honor on May 20, 2009, in ceremonies held at the Executive Mansion.)

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Medal for Honor

The Department's Medal for Honor was presented to three Zone 6 Special Agents: Sean W. King, Gregory M. Cowell, and Matthew G. Weller for the outstanding police work they displayed when approaching a vehicle during surveillance of an anhydrous ammonia plant.

As members of the Zone 6 Methamphetamine Response Team (MRT), the officers were at the plant when a vehicle pulled onto the property to steal anhydrous ammonia, a key ingredient in the production of methamphetamine. Special Agents King and Cowell identified themselves while walking towards the vehicle. Special Agent Weller approached from the middle of the row of tanks. As the Agents approached, the passenger reached behind the seat and grabbed a fully automatic assault rifle which he pointed at them. Special Agent King fired his weapon striking the passenger in the right forearm, left hand, and in the chest where the round struck a ballistic vest. Both subjects were taken into custody. On December 1, 2008, the driver was sentenced to 22 years and 8 months in federal prison. On December 8, 2008, the passenger was sentenced in federal court to imprisonment for 35 years.



Special Agent Gregory Cowell with Director Monken.



Special Agent Sean King with Director Monken.



Special Agent Matthew Weller with Director Monken.

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Lifesaving Medal



Trooper Michael Bird with Director Monken.

The Department's Lifesaving Medal was awarded to District 7 Trooper Michael Bird for his immediate response to a call of a 72-year-old female who had fallen in her garage. After assessing the victim's condition, Trooper Bird determined the victim had a pulse and was breathing, but was unresponsive to verbal inquiries. After notifying paramedics, he returned to find the victim without a pulse and not breathing and quickly began single rescuer CPR until paramedics arrived. At the request of paramedics, Trooper Bird drove the ambulance to the hospital while they continued to work on the victim. Due to the assistance and quick actions of Trooper Bird, the victim was revived.

District 6 Trooper Jeffrey Enderli was presented with the Department's Lifesaving Medal for his rapid response to an emergency medical situation on May 24, 2008. As the first to arrive on the scene of a traffic crash, Trooper Enderli found the driver slumped over the steering wheel unconscious and not breathing. After removing the victim from the vehicle and placing him in the grass to better assess his condition, Trooper Enderli, along with Mr. Clint Stephens, a citizen who stopped to help, began administering CPR. They completed three sets of chest compressions and rescue breaths when the victim began breathing on his own. EMS personnel arrived shortly thereafter and transported the victim to a nearby hospital. Trooper Enderli's accurate and immediate response to this situation was crucial to sustaining a man's life that day.

Master Sergeant Stuart Weyforth of District Chicago was awarded the Department's Lifesaving Medal for performing the Heimlich maneuver on a choking victim. On March 13, 2008, he was at a restaurant when he was approached by a male subject giving the universal sign for choking. Master Sergeant Weyforth encircled the man's waist and began administering abdominal thrusts which dislodged the piece of food. Within a few seconds, the man began breathing normally.



Trooper Jeffrey Enderli with Director Monken.



Master Sergeant Stuart Weyforth with Director Monken.

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District Chicago Sergeant David Keltner received the Department's Lifesaving Medal for his response to a suicidal subject threatening to jump into a canal on December 3, 2007. After three and a half hours, he was able to talk the subject down off the bridge. The subject would not allow anyone but Trooper Keltner to take him to the hospital where he was treated for hypothermia.



Sergeant David Keltner with Director Monken.

The Department's Lifesaving Medal was awarded to District 15 Trooper Jason J. Heinzl for his rapid response to a driver who had suffered a heart attack at the scene of a single vehicle crash. On July 3, 2008, Trooper Heinzl observed a car crashed into a light pole with the driver unresponsive and struggling to breathe. Soon after, a Rockford police officer Jeffrey Andrews arrived at the scene, and both officers began administering CPR until paramedics arrived. Had it not been for the immediate actions taken by these officers, the victim may not have survived.



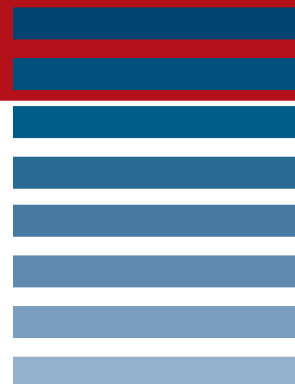
Trooper Jason Heinzl with Director Monken.

The Department's Lifesaving Medal was awarded to District 15 Trooper James M. Sauter. While still a Cadet returning to the ISP Training Academy on October 12, 2008, he observed a motorcycle on its side on I-80 in the eastbound lane. Since no emergency vehicles had arrived, Cadet Sauter grabbed his first responder bag and crossed over the lanes of traffic to assist. After assessing the situation, Sauter instructed a female volunteer to check on the male subject while he tended to the female subject who was face down in a pool of blood. The subject's airway was blocked due to the heavy amount of blood forming in her nose and mouth. Cadet Sauter used the bulb aspirator to remove the blood which reopened her airway. The female subject was airlifted to a nearby hospital and survived her injuries.



Trooper James Sauter with Director Monken.

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Telecommunicator Lead Specialist Mark White with Director Monk.

District 7 Telecommunicator Lead Specialist Mark White was presented with the Department's Lifesaving Medal for his quick and decisive action when saving a 4-year-old girl from being hit by oncoming traffic. While off-duty on September 22, 2008, Mr. White was driving west on Illinois 5 when he noticed a young girl standing in the eastbound lane. Due to construction, only one lane of traffic was open in both directions. Mr. White stopped and ran towards the child and began waving at an approaching dump truck to slow down. After realizing the dump truck was not heeding his warning, he jumped into the roadway, grabbed the young girl, and brought her to safety, putting himself in danger to save the life of a small child.

The Department's Lifesaving Medal was awarded to District 11 Trooper Scott D. Wobbe for performing CPR, and thereby saving the life a motorist who had stopped breathing. On November 30, 2008, while on a traffic stop, he observed a teenage girl running in the median flagging him down. She stated her father was having a heart attack and was not breathing. Trooper Wobbe called for an ambulance and ran to the male subject who was unresponsive and turning blue. After not finding a pulse, Trooper Wobbe began CPR. Two citizens, Dan and Lori Warner, pulled over to assist by giving breaths and checking for a pulse. Another Trooper arrived and supplied them with a first responder bag, allowing Mr. Warner to secure the subject's airway and provide ventilations with the bag valve mask resuscitator. Trooper Wobbe continued CPR until paramedics arrived.



Trooper Scott Wobbe with Director Monk.

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*Trooper Zachary Peters
with Director Monken.*

District Chicago Troopers Dennis T. Kranc and Zachary O. Peters were presented with the Department's Lifesaving Medal for their heroic actions on October 5, 2008. Arriving together at the scene of a serious hit and run crash, Troopers Kranc and Peters checked on the status of a male subject who was struck by an unknown vehicle on the side of the roadway while checking a flat tire. The man had suffered massive leg injuries with substantial blood loss. The officers quickly applied a tourniquet to his leg to prevent further blood loss until paramedics arrived. The subject survived; however, his leg had to be amputated. He also suffered organ damage, a fractured vertebra, and other traumatic injuries.

Meritorious Service

Mr. Kortenay Templeton of the Information and Technology Command (ITC) was presented with the Department's Meritorious Service Medal for his exceptional work performance and problem solving expertise. The ITC has benefitted greatly from Mr. Templeton's ability to initiate change or implement new techniques to improve existing functions or systems. He goes to great lengths to solve problems and takes classes on his own to remain current on all of the technological advances needed for a rapidly changing information technology environment. He also provides endless support of blackberry devices, workstation issues, and software installation, and has been the lead technical support for cell phone/pager platform and Lotus Notes Email synchronization. Mr. Templeton's commitment to excellence in every aspect of his work has contributed to the overall efficiency of the Department.



*Trooper Dennis Kranc with
Director Monken.*



*Information Services
Specialist II Kortenay
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