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In 2022, our K9 team, consisting of Officer Schack and canine Zeus, completed their fourth full year on patrol together. Officer Schack deployed Zeus to assist officers for a wide variety of incidents/investigations, most being narcotics related. Zeus continued to be recognized as one of the most effective narcotic detecting canines within the county and was requested to assist outside agencies on a regular basis. Those outside agencies included the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Illinois State Police North Central Narcotics Task Force (NCNTF), and the McHenry County Sheriff's Narcotics Task Force, along with other local municipal police departments. As a result of Zeus being deployed, numerous felony narcotics arrest were made.

In cooperation with both NCNTF and the Carpentersville Police Department, a conjoined narcotics investigation was conducted involving Officer Schack and canine Zeus. During the investigation Zeus was utilized to conduct both exterior vehicle sniffs and interior residential searches for the odor of narcotics in multiple police jurisdictions. During the ongoing investigations nearly $3000 dollars was seized along with items indicative of the sale of illegal narcotics. The investigation culminated with multiple suspects being criminally charged with multiple narcotic related charges and the recovery of an un-serialized firearm.

During another investigation in 2022, Officer Schack and Zeus worked with other assisting CLPD officers to conduct multiple exterior vehicle sniffs during traffics stops related to narcotics. Recovery of narcotics and multiple felony narcotic related charges resulted from the traffic stops after Zeus indicated the odor of narcotics was present inside the vehicles. Additionally, one of the traffic stops resulted in the seizure of a vehicle. As a result of the traffic stops, a residential search warrant was obtained. During the search warrant, approximately twenty pounds of suspect cannabis and nearly $8000 dollars were seized. The suspects in this case were charged with several Class X felonies and additional felony narcotic related charges.

In addition to police-related activities, Zeus is utilized to educate the community about his role within the Police Department. One way this is accomplished is in the form of public demonstrations. The largest demonstration Zeus and Officer Schack performed in 2022 was at National Night Out. This event, which was held in downtown Crystal Lake, was attended by hundreds of people and allowed Zeus to complete his demonstration in front a large variety of citizens with the assistance of TOPS trainers. It was a rewarding experience for the community as well as our K9 team.


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TRAINING UNIT

The Department's Training Unit has the following goals: facilitate the highest quality and standard of instruction, inspire a passion to provide excellence in policing services, ensure all agency employees are trained above the required standards, and incorporate innovative and contemporary training. The Training Unit strives to provide an array of training, varying from reading material, hands-on defensive tactics, high-risk traffic stops, active shooter response, a strong emphasis on mental health and de-escalation, and more, while incorporating scenario-based training. Despite lingering pandemic challenges, 298 different training courses were conducted and over 8,000 hours of instruction was provided to our employees. This does not include training opportunities for those assigned to the Northern Illinois Police Alarm System (NIPAS), where hundreds of hours are spent on developing, building, refining, and polishing on specialized skills. The Training Unit enhances our staff's abilities in order to provide exceptional police services to our community with integrity and preparedness for unforeseen events.





TRAINING UNIT

Basic Academy and Field Training

During 2022, the Department utilized the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy, the Cook County Sheriff's Police Academy, and Police Training Institute to certify officers through the Illinois Training and Standards Board. The Suburban Law Enforcement Academy is located at the College of DuPage in Glen Ellyn, Illinois while the Cook County Sheriff's Academy is located at Triton College in River Grove, Illinois, and the Police Training Institute is located in Urbana-Champagne. Aspiring officers are challenged physically and mentally during each academy's 560-hour curriculum (14-week course). Some of the courses taught during the curriculum are Stress Management and Officer Wellness, Civil Rights and Civil Liabilities, Procedural Justice, Laws of Arrest, Search and Seizure, Mental Health Response, Crisis Intervention (De-Escalation), and Patrol Tactics. In total, eight officers graduated from these academies. Following graduation form the academy, these officers are required to participate in a nationally recognized 16-week field training model. Using the Problem-Based Police Training Officer (PTO) model, newly graduated officers are subjected to a wide array of problematic situations, while utilizing best practices in accordance with internal policies and laws to mitigate them. Officer Stolzman, Officer Campbell, Officer Flores, Officer Suchecki, Officer Stitt, and Officer Keeble completed their field training and are began their solo patrol. Officer Koster neared completion of his field training. After instituting a certified officer lateral transfer program in 2020, allowing the Department to recruit top talent with a wide array of experience from other agencies, Officer Schumacher joined us from the State of Rhode Island. Officer Burbach joined us from Boone County Sheriff's Office, where he was a Field-Training Officer, Firearms Instructor, Active-Shooter Instructor and a Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team member. Officer Berillo joined us from Belvidere Police Department, where he served as a SWAT member as Sniper Marksmen, Detective, Field-Training Officer, Narcotics Investigator, and is a Master Ranger Officer. Officer Alvarez joined us from Rockford Police Department. All officers completed a field training program and have acclimated well to the Department.







TRAINING UNIT

Supervisory Development

The Department continues to provide advanced training for supervisory employees. This year, Officer Beasley, Officer Sanders, Officer Munaretto, and Officer Sindaravicius were promoted to Sergeants. Sergeant Munaretto attended a two-week course in Supervision of Police Personnel through Northwestern University, which prepares him for his new role and provides the necessary skills to be an effective leader. Sergeant Beasley, Sergeant Sanders, and Sergeant Sindaravicius have scheduled training through Northwestern University for the same course for 2023. In addition to Sergeant Promotions, Sergeant Coutre was promoted to Commander. Commander Behning, as part of his supervisory development, attended an extensive ten-week/400-hour School of Police Staff and Command through Northwestern University. This program prepares him to thrive and be successful in middle and upper management positions. The curriculum includes project management, budgeting, courses on leadership and other related topics. Sergeant Koertgen and Commander Coutre are scheduled to attend the training in 2023. The Department remains committed to sending at least one supervisor through this intensive program per year.





Constitutional Rights and Response to Resistance

The Department recognizes the need for officers to have a strong command of constitutional knowledge surrounding use of force within policing. All officers attend ongoing training and receive legal updates through multiple facets. Training ranges from legal reviews to scenario-based to after action training discussions. Such training may include improvements and applications stemming from actual incidences or recreated incidences in scenario-based trainings. This blend of training helps officers to operate with the safest and current recommended protocols on a daily basis. In 2022, some of the attended training included Defensive Tactics, De-Escalation and Smarter Policing, High Risk Traffic Stops, Use of Force Workshops, and monthly legal updates through Police Law Institute and Law Enforcement Training, LLC. In an effort to provide the highest of standards for response to resistance training, Officer Torkelson became a Defensive Tactics Instructor. Officer Tooley attended a 40-hour extensive Firearms Instructor Course. With his 16 years of law enforcement and prior military experience, he brings innovative and tactical soundness to firearms training. In addition, Officer Lang, who is a member of NIPAS (Northern Illinois Police Alarm System) Emergency Services Team, received a Master Tactical Patrol Officer certification through Illinois Tactical Officers Association. Officer Lang is one of one-hundred and twenty to receive such a recognition and certification in the State of Illinois.

Internship Program

The Department's Internship Program is an important component of the Training Unit and the Department as a whole. Interns are carefully selected from multiple area universities and colleges, to spend a semester rotating through all the units of the Department. This program requires direct mentoring on a daily basis by veteran officers, allowing the interns to learn and network within the industry. Many current and former officers began their careers through an Internship Program. The Department hosted three interns in 2022. One of the three interns, Joseph Thompson, was sworn in as a full-time Police Officer on December 19, 2022. He and two other newly appointed officers are scheduled to attend Suburban Law Enforcement Academy (SLEA) in January 2023.

Ride-Alongs

The ride-along program is an opportunity for potential hires, residents, students, and family members to spend a shift riding with an officer on patrol. The experience affords an excellent firsthand look at the high caliber of policing services occurring on a daily basis, while supporting community policing principles.



Mental Health and Crisis Incidents

Mental health concerns in society continue to be addressed by law enforcement. On a regular basis the Department receives numerous mental health calls for service, which impact victims, suspects, and the community as a whole. The Department continues to emphasize the importance of providing adequate services during these types of calls for services, to ensure all avenues of resources can be made readily available to all involved and to resolve these cases. As part of a commitment to assist those in need of mental health assistance and to be treated fairly, with respect, and dignity, the Department ensures officers attend multiple courses throughout the year to support this objective. Through these courses, de-escalation skills are honed while officers learn to tailor their response to calls for an optimal outcome. Some of these courses conducted this year included, Scenario Based Rapid Response, Mental Health Awareness, Trauma Informed Response to Sexual Assaults, and De-Escalation Patrol Strategies. As part of the commitment to provide the highest of standards in addressing mental health and crisis incidents, Officer Zielinski, who previously worked as a social worker, received proper certifications and is able to share her vast knowledge with other agencies, being recognized by the Illinois Training and Standards Board as an Instructor through Northeast Multi-Regional Training.







POLICE SOCIAL WORKER PROGRAM

This year the Department participated in the newly formed McHenry County-wide Police Social Worker Program. The program employs trained and licensed social workers to provide service to individuals and families involved in situational incidents. The program provides adults, juveniles, and families with short-term and long-term counseling options, intervention, assessment, referrals, and services for the resolution of individual, family, and community problems. Since the start of the program, the Department has completed 182 referrals for those in need.

A program benefit is that it provides 24 hour on-call coverage in order to respond whenever necessary. Additionally, the social workers in the program can provide training in topics such as: mental health first aid, Crisis Intervention Team, de-escalation, duty to intervene, trauma informed response to incidents, substance abuse, peer support, resources in the county, involuntary petitions, and communicating with people of all ages.





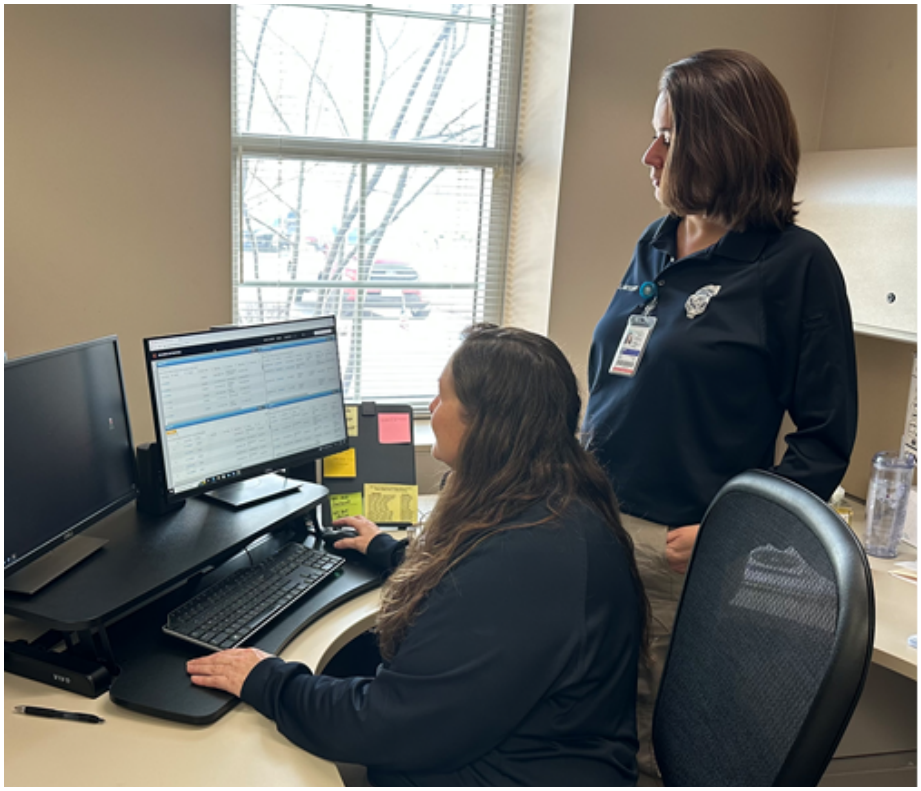
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RECORDS UNIT

The Records Unit is under the command of the Deputy Chief of Administration and staffed by three full-time clerks, two part-time clerks, and one supervisor. The Unit is staffed Monday – Friday, 0800 – 1700 hours. Records hired two new employees in 2022, Leah Gesler and Barb Rowley. Records is responsible for non-emergency phone calls and citizens arriving at the Department seeking assistance. Records also processes and maintains all police reports, citations and other documents required for court proceedings or public dissemination. Other duties include Freedom of Information (FOIA) requests, fulfilling subpoenas, expungements and various background requests.

Records was integral in the certification of the Department with National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS). Four Records employees were trained with the FBI in NIBRS and utilized what they learned to implement NIBRS which included a three-month certification process with the State. The current Records Management System (RMS) is Central Square which has field-based reporting that enables all data from reports generated in the field to be sent into RMS. RMS is utilized for looking up information and internal or State statistical reporting. AVRS is an automated accident reporting system that has online report downloads for citizens and insurance companies. Records also utilizes Virtual Partner2, an automated citation program for traffic citations issued by officers which then transmits data to the McHenry County Courthouse for prosecution of the offense cited and to the State of Illinois for statistical purposes.

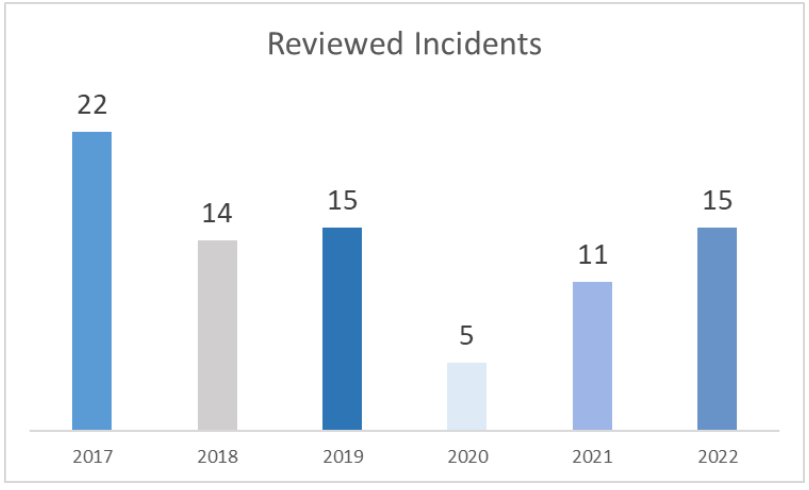


SAFETY/TRAINING COMMITEE

The goal of the Department's Safety and Training Committee is to create a safe and healthy workplace for all employees through awareness, training, and employee involvement. The committee consists of sworn and non-sworn members representing the Administration, Patrol Unit, Criminal Investigations Unit, and Support Services. The committee utilizes risk management procedures to identify areas within the Department where improvements can be made. The 2022 goals and objectives of the Department Safety and Training Committee were:

- Provide monthly education on safety related topics to Department employees.
- Continue defensive tactics training for sworn personnel.
- Decrease the amount and severity of injuries to employees.
- Reduce the amount of incidents involving damage to property and equipment.
- Encourage collaboration between employees and management.
- Continue the process of certifying instructors through ILETSB and NEMRT.

The committee meets monthly to discuss safety and training related topics, such as positive/negative behaviors and practices, incidents involving loss of personnel due to injury, incidents involving property damage, and training issues that will likely reduce incidents among employees. The incidents involving injury or property damage are reviewed in order to determine causes and contributing factors. The totality of circumstances are then considered to establish whether the incident was preventable. The incident reviews result in identifying any trends or patterns, which allows the committee to develop recommendations for workplace improvements or practices. Those modifications will potentially reduce or eliminate such events from repeatedly occurring. In 2022, the Department Safety and Training Committee reviewed fifteen incidents. There were nine reported injuries, two occurring during the arrest of a resistive or combative subject, and six reported property damage incidents. The rate of occurrence for all incidents in 2022 increased from those in 2021, however, there was a decrease in reported injuries. Additionally, in order to promote safety and awareness a monthly safety message is created and disseminated to members of the Department.





COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICERS

Community Service Officers

The Department currently employs four civilian Community Service Officers (CSOs). Three are assigned to the Patrol Unit and one functions as the Department's Evidence Custodian. They are not sworn police officers and do not have the authority to arrest; however, they are vital to providing superior service to the community and contribute significantly to daily operations. The CSOs assigned to the Patrol Unit routinely assist with a variety of calls, which traditionally would occupy an officer's attention. Some of these calls include private property vehicle crashes, vehicle lockouts as well as traffic control for special events and critical incidents. Additionally, they conduct parking enforcement and commuter pay-stall collections and banking.

Administratively, the CSOs assist with numerous tasks as well. They conduct child safety seat installations and inspections, fingerprinting for professional licensure and assisting processing arrests. They also assist the Records Unit with various tasks including video classification, assisting walk-in residents and handling various phone inquiries. During the 2022 calendar year, our CSOs handled 1048 service calls and assisted on many more. They also issued 1289 parking citations.

Accreditation

the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) continues to serve as the premier credentialing association for public safety agencies and providing accreditation services for law enforcement organizations, public safety communication centers, public safety training academies, and campus security agencies. The standards are communicated through a board of 21 commissioners, representing a full spectrum of public safety leadership. The voluntary CALEA Accreditation is the GOLD Standard for Public Safety Agencies and represents a commitment to excellence. The Department was last accredited in 2020. In 2022, the Department successfully completed proofs of compliance for year three of the Department's four-year re-accreditation cycle.



PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE UNIT

The Department's Evidence and Property Unit is an integral part of the overall agency operations. The evidence unit is staffed with one full-time Property Control Officer whose primary responsibility is that of the Department's Evidence Custodian. The Evidence Custodian is responsible for managing the Department's evidence room where all evidence seized, received, or found by officers is securely maintained. The Evidence Custodian guarantees the property is properly labeled, packaged, and placed in a secure location until it is released or disposed of in accordance with State and Federal Laws and Department policies.



The Evidence Custodian also collaborates with the States Attorney's Office, Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms, labs in Rockford and Chicago, and many other outside vendors. In addition to managing the evidence room, the Evidence Custodian also handles hundreds of requests from officers, submits necessary reports, and assists the Records Unit in fulfilling subpoena & FOIA requests.



The Department recovers a large number of confiscated or surrendered firearms. Instead of returning these firearms back onto the street, we utilize a company who safely destroys all of our unclaimed weapons. After running all serial numbers through the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives and ensuring the weapons are not involved in any active investigation, a company called GUNBUSTERS processes each weapon through a pulverizer. The destruction is video documented and returned on a USB to ensure integrity. In 2022, we were able to safely destroy 54 firearms.



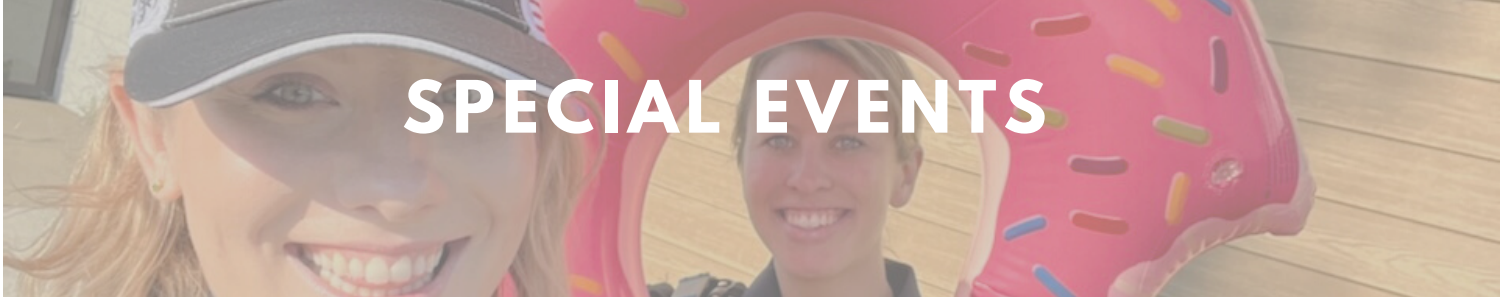
COMMUNITY RELATIONS

The Department's Mission Statement and Core Values creates an important guidance between the interaction and communication with residents, businesses, schools, and the Department. The Police Community Relations Officer (PCRO) continued to maintain those values and played an important role within the community. The PCRO provided guidance to the community that would enhance the professional service and quality of life to those we serve.

The PCRO is responsible for the Volunteers in Police Services (VIPs) program as well as the Citizen's Police Academy. The PCRO provides drug presentations, safety presentations, and tours of the facility for our schools or local groups. The PCRO continued visiting elementary schools in District 47 to read a book to a class that was selected by the students and staff. The PCRO met virtually with classes to continue the relationship between District 47 and the Department.

Our PCRO continues to be an active member of the McHenry County Suicide Prevention Task Force, McHenry County Safe Kids Coalition, McHenry County Police Charities, McHenry County Substance Abuse Coalition, McHenry County Latino Leadership Network and The Task Force on Aging. The PCRO is the primary liaison between the Crystal Lake CrimeStoppers board and the Police Department. This past year, the PCRO joined the Early Childhood Network. The Early Childhood Network helps identify the needs of families in our communities to support early childhood care and needs.





SPECIAL EVENTS

McHenry County College Criminal Justice Symposium

On March 9th, the PCRO and Officer Campbell attended the McHenry County College Criminal Justice Symposium. During this event, officers provided internship information, passed out job information, and answered questions regarding the process of becoming a police officer with the Department.



Coffee with the Chief

The Coffee with the Chief program returned in 2022. Chief Black hosted two events which included topics such as general conversations regarding new laws, policies, and information introduced during the pandemic as well as an informative introduction of the Police Social Worker Program.



Back-to-School Backpack Program

On August 15th, the Department hosted its 7th annual Back-to-School Backpack event. The event was designed to assist parents or caregivers with relieving the financial stress and burden associated with purchasing backpacks and school supplies. The Department, in partnership with Crystal Lake School District 47 and the Round Lake Beach Meijer, were able to provide the basic necessities including backpacks, to the families that were identified by District 47's Lunch program.



SPECIAL EVENTS

Community Clean-Up Day with Crystal Lake Chamber of Commerce

On April 23rd, the PCRO and Property Control Officer Young took part in the Crystal Lake Chamber of Commerce's Community Clean-up Day. While at the event, we collected 65 pounds of expired or no longer-needed prescription medication. This program has provided education to the public to teach them how to properly dispose of medications.

Touch-a-Truck

On June 11th, Officer Stolzman participated in the Home State Bank Touch-a-Truck event. Officer Stolzman handed out sticker badges and provided tours of the squad car.



YMCA Hometown Hero

On June 3rd, the PCRO and K9 Officer Schack attended the YMCA Camp during their Hometown Hero Day. Officer Schack and K9 Zeus provided a demonstration for the camp while the PCRO provided tours of the squad cars and talked about stranger danger with the kids in the camp.





SPECIAL EVENTS

National Night Out

In August, National Night Out returned to Downtown Crystal Lake after having an extremely successful debut in 2021. This year's National Night Out was one of our largest attended events. The event continues to connect the community to local shops and restaurants as well as provide the opportunity for the community to interact with officers in a fun and crime free environment. The Police Department provided carnival games, K9 demonstrations, the opportunity for children to paint their handprint of the squad car, touch-a-truck, and so much more. After the event, the squad car was displayed in front of City Hall for the public to view.











SPECIAL EVENTS

Read Across America

The PCRO and other officers participated in Read Across America at Coventry Elementary School. Read Across America is an event that brings in guest readers of various professions/careers in the community.



Shop with a Cop

On December 4th, the Department participated in Shop with a Cop. Officers were given the opportunity to spend the morning with a child from our community to shop for gifts for Christmas. After shopping at Walmart, breakfast was provided by volunteers at Glacier Ridge Elementary School.









Public Education

Public education is an important component of public safety. We have continued to employ multiple avenues in which to provide the education to arm our citizens against becoming a victim as well as keeping themselves and their families safe.

As summer drew to a close and back-to-school season was in full swing, public service announcement videos and posts were shared reminding citizens to safely share the road with school buses, pedestrians and bicyclists.

During the year, twelve articles submitted by the Department were published in the City's newsletter for the purpose of raising awareness and educating the public on the following:

January: Happy New Year Message. February: IRS scams, Super Bowl traffic safety, Polar Plunge and Grandparent Scams. March: St. Patrick’s Day safety, Phishing Scams, and Self-Injury Awareness. April: Community Cleanup Day. May: Memorial Day, National Police Week, and Mental Health awareness. June: Summer safety and crime prevention. July: National Night Out and Coffee with the Chief. August: Information regarding the restriction of golf cart use in Crystal Lake and vehicle parking restrictions and notifications. September: Child Passenger week safety as well as Rail Safety. October: Halloween Safety and School Bus Safety. November: Honoring All Who Served and Thanksgiving Safety. December: Winter Safety Tips, Pickpocketing, and Coffee with the Chief information.






POLICE



Department Commendation

Awarded to any member of the Department for duties performed in an exceptional manner which brings credit to the employee and the Police Department.

Detective Michael Maloney

In June of 2021, Detective Maloney investigated a battery pertaining to inappropriate physical contact between a patient and doctor. Detective Maloney was a Patrol Officer at the time and later moved to the Criminal Investigations Unit. Detective Maloney continued his investigation and methodically gathered additional incidents showing a common theme of inappropriate contact between the doctor and patient. Through Grand Jury subpoenas and other investigative tools, Detective Maloney was able to later secure a felony charge of Criminal Sexual Abuse against the doctor in December of 2021 for three of the 2021 incidents. Detective Maloney took an additional seven reports throughout the beginning of 2022 and those cases are being resolved and used as additional evidence to help prosecute the 2021 criminal charges. One of the 2022 cases is still pending and may lead to criminal charges.

Detective Jeff Mattson

In the summer of 2021, on two separate occasions, thirteen vehicles were stolen from a local car dealership. Over the following six months, Detective Mattson relentlessly pursued the offenders, working with several out of state law enforcement agencies. Detective Mattson's meticulous collection and organization of electronic data assisted in the recovery of seven out of the thirteen vehicles stolen and the identification of potential suspects. On March 7th, 2022, Detective Mattson charged an offender, who was the leader of the vehicle theft crew, with seventeen felony counts related to the auto thefts. Detective Mattson's thorough tracking of evidence and dedication to justice was pinnacle in linking the offender to the auto theft ring.



Chief's Distinguished Service Award

Awarded to any member of the Department for outstanding police-related accomplishments distinguished by the individual's performance of his or her duties above and beyond normal or routine, and resulting in improved Department administration, operation, or savings in operational costs, thereby contributing to a move efficient and effective police service.

Officers Lance Jones and Ryan Schack

In January, Officer Schack received a complaint from a citizen about suspected narcotics transactions taking place near the complainant's residence. The initial information received only included the location where suspicious activity was taking place. Officer Schack and Jones worked together to place the location under surveillance. When suspected narcotics transactions were observed, they developed probable cause to stop the involved vehicles. During the course of those traffic stops, Officers Schack and Jones recovered cannabis and controlled substances. Through interviews further information was developed on the cannabis dealers and their residence.

Officers Schack and Jones later placed the suspects' residence under surveillance. Officer Jones conducted a traffic stop on the suspects' vehicle, and along with Officer Schack, recovered cannabis from the occupants. Utilizing their previous training and experience, they were able to articulate the recovered cannabis was possessed with the intent to deliver and placed two suspects in custody. A search warrant for the suspects' residence was obtained. Upon executing the search warrant, over twenty pounds of cannabis, along with other narcotics, and other evidence was recovered. The total estimated street value of all seized narcotics was over $200,000. Additionally, over $8,000 and a vehicle were seized as a result of the investigation. Both suspects were criminally charged with numerous felonies.

Traffic Enforcement

Traffic Enforcement is an important component of our participation in the Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge; therefore, these officers are recognized with the Chief's Distinguished Service Award for their efforts related to traffic safety.

-Officer Peter Lewandowski for leading the Department in DUI Arrests.
-Officer Peter Lewandowski for leading the Department in Seat Belt Citations.
-Officer Kimberly Shipbaugh for leading the Department in Speeding Citations.
-Sergeant Daniel Porzezinski for leading the Department in Distracted Driving Citations.



Lifesaving Awards

Sergeants Jeremy Beasley and Phil Lloyd-Mietus

On the early morning of March 6th, 2022, Officer Beasley and Sergeant Lloyd-Mietus responded the 400 block of S. Oriole Trail for the report of a structure fire. As they were responding, they were informed by SEECOM that there were still two people inside the residence. As they arrived on scene, flames were observed coming from the northwest corner of the residence. Officer Beasley and Sergeant Lloyd-Mietus were able to make contact with one of the residents who had her head out of a second-floor window. Heavy smoke was billowing out of the same window. Officer Beasley attempted to enter the residence via an unlocked door in order to rescue the two residents trapped inside. Upon opening the door, he observed the entire first floor was filled with smoke. He entered the residence, but due to the thickness/severity of the smoke he encountered and not hearing anyone one the first floor he exited the residence.

Meanwhile, Sergeant Lloyd-Mietus continued verbal contact with the subject on the second floor. Officer Beasley and Sergeant Lloyd-Mietus then began to attempt to reach the subject with ladders they had located on the property. While the ladder was too short to extricate from the second-floor window safely, Officer Beasley climbed the ladder and continued verbal communication with her. The subject advised she was having difficulty breathing due to the smoke and the heat from the fire was starting to burn her. Officer Beasley reassured the subject that Fire/Rescue would be on scene shortly. They were also able to get information that the other occupant of the residence was last seen on the first floor. That information was relayed to SEECOM and Fire/Rescue. Approximately eight minutes after the initial dispatch, Fire/Rescue arrived on scene and was able to get the subject out of the residence safely via one of their ladders. Officer Beasley assisted with walking the subject to an ambulance. Later, the other resident was located deceased on the first floor of the residence.

Officer Beasley and Sergeant Lloyd-Mietus took immediate action when they discovered a citizen's life was at risk. Their actions, whether it was locating and climbing ladders or attempting to make entry into an active structure fire, were completely focused on saving the life of another. While it is unfortunate there was a loss of life in the fire, it does not take away from the fact that Officer Beasley and Sergeant Lloyd-Mietus were able to keep the subject calm and at the window, keeping her from making any rash decisions that would have put her life at further risk.



Officer Dave Lang

On March 5th, 2022, Officer Lang was dispatched to an apartment reference a domestic battery. SEECOM further advised the victim stated she was attacked by her husband. Upon arrival at the apartment building, Officer Lang located the victim in the vestibule of the building. Officer Lang observed the victim to have significant injuries. In addition to the blood located on her, Officer Lang observed a large amount of blood in the surrounding area. Officer Lang escorted the victim to the entryway of her apartment. Officer Lang retrieved first aid supplies from his personal backpack he brought with him and began rendering aid as he assisted the victim to a seated position up against a wall. While applying first aid, he was able to continually engage with the victim, asking her questions in order to obtain further information about the incident while also keeping the victim conscious. It is worth noting that even while rendering life saving measures, Officer Lang was also cognizant of the safety of the child who was present in the apartment as well as the ongoing safety of the victim and first responders on scene. Officer Lang directed Officers Schack and Jones to conduct a primary and secondary sweep of the apartment to ensure the suspect had left the apartment. Officer Lang remained with the victim for approximately five minutes, until Fire/Rescue arrived on scene. He then provided them a summary of the injuries he had located as well as what had possibly caused the injuries.

It was later determined that the suspect had struck the victim with a hammer and hatchet multiple times about her body and her head. She has since recovered and is now expected to make a full recovery. Detective Maloney informed Commander Behning that during a later interview, the victim was able to remember Officer Lang and the aid he provided her when he first arrived on scene.

Officer Lang's actions were exemplary. Upon locating a victim in need of immediate assistance, he did not hesitate to render aid utilizing the first aid supplies he had brought with him. Officer Lang had the peace of mind to continually engage with the victim in a calming manner, keeping her conscious, while also obtaining important information pertinent to the investigation. Had he not dealt with the victim as he did, the outcome of the victim's health could have been much different.



Officer Al Sindaravicius and Officer Jeidy Flores

Officers responded to residence located in the 400 block of Commonwealth Drive regarding an elderly male choking victim. Upon their arrival the officers found the victim unconscious on the bed, grey and not breathing. Officers brought victim to floor and began CPR along with attempting to check victim's airway for an obstruction. After several minutes and prior to Fire/Rescue Paramedics arriving, the actions of the officers somehow dislodged the obstruction in the victim's airway, and he began to breathe on his own. The victim was able to speak during transport to hospital and claimed he was eating and began to choke and went unconscious. The victim survived the incident in large part to the actions of both officers.

Citizen Life Saving Awards

Michael Nicoletti

Michael had been working in the parking lot of Mavis Tire and Brakes when he heard the loud noise of a traffic collision. As he turned to look in the direction of the crash, he observed a minivan “rear end” a smaller vehicle, hit a curb, and proceeded to drive off the roadway hitting a pole and flipping onto its side. Michael and two unidentified bystanders began to assist with helping the driver out of the vehicle. Michael entered the vehicle through the rear hatch and proceeded to unbuckle the driver's seatbelt and safely drag them out of the vehicle to a safe area.

Michael Cruz

A juvenile student was eating lunch in the cafeteria of a local high school. While eating, food became lodged in their throat, obstructing the airway. Mike Cruz was in the area and noticed the struggling student signal they were choking. Mike executed the Heimlich maneuver two times, in which the food was dislodged and the student able to breath.

Kevin Swat, Peter Jablonski, Michael Schultz, Kyle Perkins

While at an MMA gym, a male subject passed out. While this is common at an MMA gym, the patient was not actively engaging in anything that would typically cause this reaction in this environment. Subsequently, the quick actions of the above listed people saved the patient’s life after it was discovered he went into cardiac arrest. Peter stood above the patient and felt a weak pulse which quickly disappeared. Once determined that no pulse existed, Peter began chest compressions. Kevin and Michael additionally assisted with CPR as the three rotated between chest compressions and other basic lifesaving skills, including sweeping the patients mouth to ensure he was not choking. Kyle Perkins called 911 then stood outside and flagged down the paramedics who had a difficult time finding the location. Once paramedics arrived, they continued CPR, and it was determined that the quick response by these citizens, saved the patient’s life.



2021/2022 COMPARISON

RECORDS UNIT			
Operating Indicators By Function	2021	2022	Change
Incident Reports Processed	5462	5871	7.49%
Crash Reports Processed	1438	1535	6.75%
Supplemental Reports Processed	1880	2538	35.00%
Temporary Detention Reports	414	535	29.23%
Subpoenas Processed	125	136	8.80%
Freedom of Information Act Requests	759	834	9.88%
Expungements	46	38	-17.39%
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT			
Operating Indicators By Function	2021	2022	Change
% Cases Cleared	43%	53%	23.26%
Total Cases Cleared	166	201	21.08%
Total Cases Assigned	389	378	-2.83%
-Missing Juveniles	4	6	50.00%
-Burglary - Residence	10	3	-70.00%
-Burglary - Vehicle	16	15	-6.25%
-Burglary - Commercial	11	15	36.36%
-Criminal Damage Property	6	13	116.67%
-Armed Robbery / Robbery	7	5	-28.57%
-Criminal Sexual Abuse/Assault Cases	46	60	30.43%
-Death Investigations	17	19	11.76%
-Homicide (incl. Drug Induced)/Attempted Murder	9	4	-55.56%
-Stolen Vehicles	19	17	-10.53%
-Theft Cases	49	65	32.65%
-Financial Crimes	55	36	-34.55%
Sex Offender Verifications	75	77	2.67%
Sex Offender Violations	4	2	-50.00%
Background Investigations	57	66	15.79%



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EVIDENCE UNIT			
Operating Indicators By Function	2021	2022	Change
Number of items in Evidence	10891	9327	-14.36%
Items of Property Received	2258	2596	14.97%
Items of Property Purged	11317	4992	-55.89%
- Items Destroyed	10755	4483	-58.32%
- Items Returned to Owner	237	323	36.27%
- Items Auctioned	89	40	-55.06%
- Items Donated	162	96	-40.07%
- Items Turned Over to Another Agency	37	101	172.97%
- Items Turned Over to Finance	37	45	21.62%
PATROL UNIT			
Operating Indicators By Function	2021	2022	Change
Warrants Served	85	63	-25.88%
Calls for Service	18070	23211	28.45%
Online Reports	201	92	-54.23%
Arrests of Suspended/Revoked Driver's	64	87	35.94%
Arrests of Driver's with No Valid Driver's License	31	66	112.90%
Traffic Citations Issued	1946	3641	87.10%
Warning Citations Issued	1075	3652	239.72%
Traffic Stops	1995	6425	222.06%
Arrests (Adult total)	555	710	27.93%
Arrests (Juvenile total)	62	66	6.45%
DUI Arrests	125	105	-16.00%
Drug Offenses	200	190	-5.00%
Vehicles Impounded (Administrative)	155	170	9.68%
Police Directed Tows	547	635	16.09%
Ordinance Citations Issued	319	390	22.26%
Parking Citations Issued	3046	3160	3.74%



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TRAFFIC CRASHES REPORTED - INVESTIGATED			
Operating Indicators By Function	2021	2022	Change
Total Crash Reports Taken	1438	1535	6.75%
Property Damage Only	1245	1335	7.23%
Personal Injury Crashes	193	200	3.63%
Private Property Crashes	369	387	4.88%
Hit and Run Crashes	43	49	13.95%
Fatalities	0	0	0.00%
A-I Crashes Investigation	2	3	50.00%
COMMUNITY RELATIONS			
Operating Indicators By Function	2021	2022	Change
Community Presentations	25	47	88.00%
Expos Attended	1	5	400.00%
Car Seat Installations	24	26	8.33%
Car Seat Check Events Hosted	0	0	0.00%
TRAINING UNIT			
Operating Indicators By Function	2021	2022	Change
Total Training Hours	7092	9264	33.42%
Patrol Officer Recruits Trained	5	12	140.00%
Internships	0	3	300.00%
Hosted Outside Training	14	5	-64.29%
Ride Alongs	27	9	-66.67%


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