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Bradshaw Accepts New Law Job

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August 28, 2014. Not long after Des Moines Police Chief Judy Bradshaw announced her retirement plans, she was on the telephone accepting a job to become the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy's assistant director.

"I see this as a way to influence and have an impact on law enforcement all across the state and on the generation of officers coming up," said Bradshaw, who was offered the position on Aug. 22, and on Tuesday she both announced her retirement and accepted the job offer.

Bradshaw was one of nearly 40 people who applied for the job, said Arlen Ciechanowski, academy director. Three finalists were interviewed, he said.

The salary range for the job is between \$61,900 and \$95,201 annually. Bradshaw will also collect a pension from Des Moines, where her annual salary is \$163,384.

Bradshaw, 55, starts at the Academy Oct. 6.

The Johnston-based Academy was created in 1967 and is charged with providing basic and ongoing training opportunities to law enforcement officers, as well as jailers and dispatchers.

Bradshaw will be the Academy's first female assistant director.

Bradshaw will be able to offer a different perspective to the training the Academy does, Ciechanowski said. But he said she



would be a role model to both genders.

"Put gender aside," he said. "Chief Bradshaw has really epitomized what law enforcement is in how she has gone through the ranks on her merit. Officers in general can look at that and use her as a mentor and role model for their careers."

Bradshaw has been with the Des Moines police for 34 years. She was the department's first female lieutenant, captain, major and chief. She has, at some point in her career, overseen almost every bureau within the Department. She also has been an adjunct professor at Grand View University and Des Moines Area Community College.

"She has a great background in admin-

istration, training, supervision, really all the components we were looking for," Ciechanowski said.

The Academy's previous assistant director, Michael Quinn, was fired in June, two weeks before he was scheduled to retire after 48 years in law enforcement. Ciechanowski said at the time the reason was confidential.

Quinn, who had been paid \$91,000 annually, announced in April he would retire June 30 following months of criticism for inappropriate sexual and threatening remarks to female students and colleagues, according to the Associated Press.

On May 30, Gov. Terry Branstad signed the state budget, which contained a provision that changed Quinn's job from a merit-protected position to an at-will employee who can be fired for any reason without appeal rights. The job continues to be at-will, Ciechanowski said.

Ciechanowski and Bradshaw both said the controversy played no role in the hiring process and would not affect Bradshaw's role at the academy.

Bradshaw said she had been looking for possible jobs for after her retirement. Police officers in Des Moines are fully vested after 22 years but must wait until the age of 55 to collect benefits. Bradshaw turned 55 in June.

The timing of the assistant director job was perfect, she said.

"It allows me to step out of the pressure cooker of a position I'm in, yet still continue to work and contribute and be around police officers."



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We must collaborate against human trafficking in Iowa

It is hard to believe that summer is rapidly coming to a close. Hopefully it has been a good one for you.

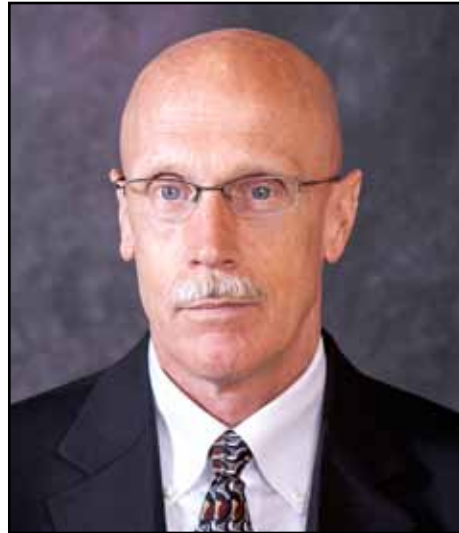
The Iowa Peace Officers Association (IPOA) has been discussing the 2015 training conference. The Association's goal is to provide an affordable and quality training opportunity.

If you have training topics you would like to see presented, please drop me an email at david.lorenzen@dot.iowa.gov indicating the topic.

It is always a positive experience when a number of groups from different walks of life come together for a common cause. I was recently able to attend such an event. A coalition-building meeting was hosted by the Iowa Motor Truck Association, the Iowa Attorney General's Office and the Iowa Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Enforcement Office.

Over 70 persons attended this meeting with the purpose of collaborating efforts and outreach to curb human trafficking. If human trafficking is not on your agency's radar, it needs to be.

The Department of Justice estimates that anywhere between 100,000 – 300,000 American children are at risk to enter the sex-for-sale industry each year. That doesn't even count the 17,500 foreign nationals trafficked into this country each



Chief David Lorenzen

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year. Many of these individuals are also ending up in the sex trade. Human trafficking is a \$32 billion dollar a year industry – the second most lucrative crime in the world.

In a recent presentation given by Michael Ferjak, a senior criminal investigator with the Iowa Attorney Generals office, he reported that 75 percent of local law enforcement leaders think human trafficking is non-existent in their communities.

Local law enforcement are minimally prepared to identify and respond. Eighteen percent of municipal and county agencies have had some type of human trafficking training; nine percent have a protocol or policy on human trafficking. Four percent have designated specialized units or personnel to investigate human trafficking. Only seven percent of municipal and county agencies investigate human trafficking cases. Investigator Ferjak said three ways we can work together to solve these problems are education, data collection and skill building.

This problem is real, and it is a problem in Iowa. We need to create collaborations among federal, state and local law enforcement; legal and judicial services including the Juvenile Courts; public agencies, private non-profit organizations, non-government and faith-based agencies; and the education system, which includes Iowa's network of community colleges and K-12 schools.

As I mentioned earlier, if human trafficking is not on your agency's radar, it needs to be. Perhaps this should be the theme of the 2015 IPOA spring training conference. Let me know your thoughts.

Be safe.

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More Active Investigation Information made public under Iowa Public Info. Board proposal

By Kellie Paschke
IPOA Lobbyist

A proposal being offered by the Iowa Public Information Board (IPIB) will increase the amount of information available to the public during an active investigation by Iowa peace officers.

The suggested change is being included along with other proposed amendments to Iowa Code Chapters 21 and 22 – Iowa’s Open Meetings and Open Records Laws – in an effort to provide more access and transparency in government.

As a general rule, Iowa Code Chapter 22 requires public entities to disclose all documents and records. This chapter, however, contains a number of exceptions to protect certain types of information. Specifically, Iowa Code section 22.7(5) allows peace officers’ active investigative reports to be shielded from public view, although the time, date, location and immediate facts

and circumstances are required to be disclosed. Immediate facts and circumstances are not defined by Iowa law, and are left to the discretion of the public agency.

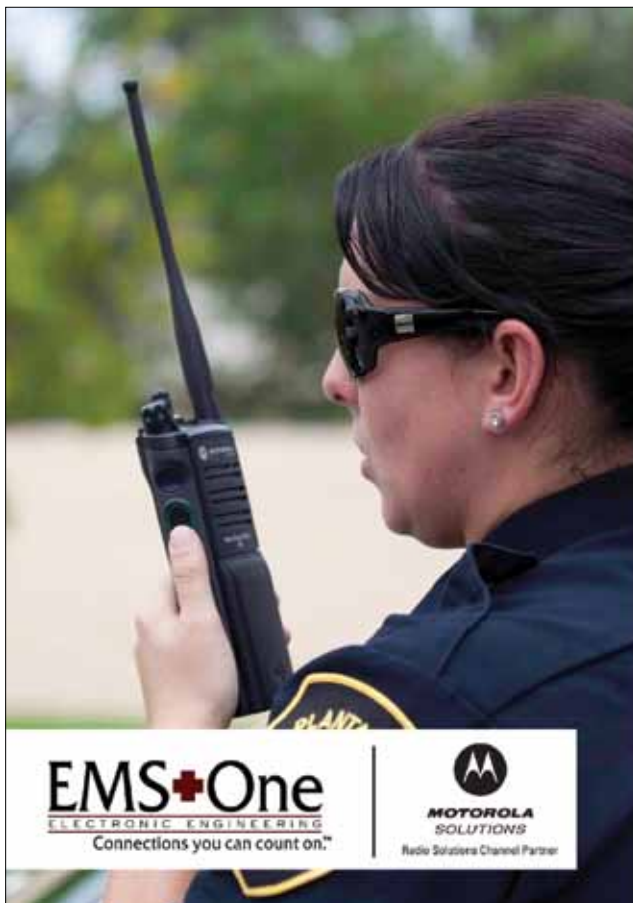
The proposal offered by the Iowa Public Information Board seeks to define “immediate facts and circumstances” as “the results of objective testing and measurements.” This means peace officers would be required to disclose all objective tests and measurements contained in an active file. This definition is both broad and vague, failing to take into consideration the multitude of tests, reports and findings used by law enforcement in conducting an investigation, some of which currently remain confidential even after an investigation is closed.

While the Board attempts to limit the scope of this definition by identifying specific, objective tests and measurements such as blood alcohol testing, TASER log reports, canine use reports, vehicle speed

recordings, drug or other substance analysis and dash-camera recordings, it clearly states that the list is not exhaustive or limited to those items. In reality, any “objective test or measurement” contained in an active file would be considered an “immediate fact or circumstance” and therefore subject to public inspection at any time.

The Iowa Public Information Board held a series of meetings in August to obtain feedback from interested parties. Many organizations expressed strong opposition to the proposed change, including law enforcement, county attorneys, the Iowa Department of Public Safety, and advocates for victims of sexual assault.

Supporters of the proposal include Iowa newspapers and other media organizations. It is likely that the IPIB will seek to introduce legislation to make this change during the 2015 legislative session. The Iowa legislature and Governor must approve this change before it can become law.



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New immigrant cultures bring challenges, opportunities for Iowa law enforcement

By Mark Grey and Michele Devlin
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Iowa is experiencing unprecedented growth in new, diverse populations.

Today, Iowa residents speak more than 180 languages and come from at least several hundred cultures around the globe. This profound growth in cultural and language diversity has significant implications for law enforcement, and public safety personnel must become familiar with the rapidly changing cultures of the communities they serve.

Many of today's law enforcement personnel experienced rapid growth in the state's Latino population starting about 1993. In some Iowa counties, this population grew in excess of 1,000 percent in only six or seven years. The mass arrival of Latinos brought much-needed consumers, workers and taxpayers to many Iowa communities, but there were also a number of challenges for law enforcement. Communication issues were critical, and many local agencies hired bilingual officers and community liaisons. Of course, some local and state officers also found themselves caught up in the often loud debate about illegal immigration.

Now that the state has 20 years of experience working with Latinos, Iowa is experiencing new waves of immigrants and refugees from Africa, Southeast Asia, the Middle East, and many other regions of the world. The sheer size and diversity of these new populations present a new set of challenges for law enforcement. About five years ago in rural states like Iowa, many companies began to seek increased sources of legal workers. Some of these sources included refugees and people from former territories of the United States, all of whom could legally work within Iowa. The Latino workers in the 1990s were predominately from Mexico and spoke Spanish. As they arrived in growing numbers, they reached a critical mass at which local law enforcement agencies, school districts, health care

providers and others could justify shifting resources to accommodate their language and cultural needs.

But over the past five years or so, we have seen the arrival of many more linguistically and culturally diverse groups in Iowa and the rural Midwest. None are arriving in the critical mass that we saw with Latinos. Instead, they are coming from dozens and dozens of countries, but in smaller numbers. We call this "micro-diversity" or "micro-plurality." We have seen many Iowa communities go from speaking predominantly English and Spanish to now hosting dozens of languages. For instance, Marshalltown School District has over 50 languages in it, and Des Moines School District boasts over 100 different languages.

There are two principal challenges with the new micro-diversity for law enforcement and public safety personnel. This includes: 1) diverse cultural backgrounds and expectations for law enforcement encounters, and 2) communication issues. All humans are cultural beings, and we have our own experiences living in our cultures. From culture, we get things like the languages we speak, norms for behavior, values, religion, and many other aspects of daily life. The fact that we don't spend a lot of time thinking about our culture means that it works. We humans are fish who don't always realize we are living in water. With our cultural experience, we also bring expectations for interactions – including law enforcement encounters.

About the Authors



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Dr. Devlin has extensive travel experience, and has worked, visited, or studied in over 50 nations around the world. She also served with the United States Army Civilian Corps on a deployment to Afghanistan as a lead social scientist and cross-cultural specialist. Both Dr. Grey and Dr. Devlin serve as trainers for the Iowa Department of Public Safety Training Bureau, and Basic Academy and the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy.

People from the same culture share a common set of expectations for what the client-officer encounter will look like, and the

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range of appropriate behaviors. But when we work with newcomers who have very different cultural experiences, they will also bring different expectations about how to interact with the police. In many countries, the police may have been part of a larger, corrupt government machine and were not trusted. In many places, the police were feared. In other cases, the police expected to be paid by clients to look the other way or provide essential services. Some newcomers are simply not familiar with local laws or public safety practices in Iowa, and have received virtually no orientation from resettlement agencies about life in America before being brought here. The bottom line here is that we must throw

out all of our assumptions for how people from other cultures will interact with law enforcement. Of course, with almost 200 languages now spoken in Iowa, linguistic barriers are significant in public safety encounters. Some of the new languages are classified linguistically as being “rare,” and officers can have difficulty finding interpreters. In other cases, some newcomers may have limited or no literacy skills in their native languages, let alone in English. Culture and language barriers can therefore often present significant challenges in public safety encounters with newcomers.

We recognize and respect the many challenges that Iowa’s burgeoning newcomer populations can present for law

enforcement. Yet many law enforcement agencies are finding that these newcomer communities have a strong interest in working together with public safety professionals to promote the wellbeing of the community. Many are eager to have strong, positive relationships with local police, fire fighters, and other public safety professionals, and respond well to respectful, face-to-face, community policing efforts.

Law enforcement professionals in Iowa today, as in the rest of rural America, must recognize the rapidly diversifying human terrain of the communities in which they work, and be able to respond proactively to these changes through training, education, and outreach.



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Complete and thorough reports are more important than video

One of the most important things in law enforcement that usually gets the least amount of training is documentation. Almost everything we do generates some sort of information that is recorded. It may be a full, written investigative report or remarks on the computer – but there is something that you can go back to review.

I know it is not the most glamorous of topics, but it is just as important as control tactics or firearms training. As instructors, we see many investigations where a defendant claims some sort of excessive force was used. Good reports help every time. We have also talked to investigators from outside agencies who have completed Officer Involved Shooting investigations, and they comment that the best things that help the officers are extensive training documentation and well written, articulate reports about the incident. We have talked about documentation of training records before, so today we focus on reports.

Now I know the first thing a lot of you may be saying is, “I have it on video.” That may be true, but it is not the end all. It is great to have as much video as possible, from in-car systems, body cameras, to nearby convenience stores when a critical incident happens. This helps by showing numerous angles. But it should be a supplement to the written report. Whenever possible, an officer should review his or her video before writing a report. It will help to jog his memory and give a framework for the report. But remember: it is not a substitute for the officer’s own perspectives.

Dr. Bill Lewinski, of the Force Science Research Center, says an officer should be given the chance to review any video before giving a statement.

“A video recording is often considered a thorough and accurate record of the incident because it is rich with information, objective and unbiased,” Dr. Lewinski says. “However, video recordings, regardless of how good the lighting and quality of filming, are never a completely accurate reproduction of any incident.”

He goes on to state that video is a two-

dimensional representation of an incident from a particular perspective and tends to distort distance and other associated with depth of field.

“A video does not represent the incident through the officer’s eyes,” Dr. Lewinski says.

A video will not document what the officer may smell or hear, what their perceptions are, what is happening out of frame, and many other factors. This is where a complete written report is imperative.

Make sure you take the time to include the basics that we all learn in the Academy, but you also need to get as detailed as possible. Put down everything that happened and don’t short cut.

One of the biggest problems officers have in writing reports is using statements such as, “He was non-compliant,” or “She became aggressive.” This doesn’t tell the reader anything. Describe every physical and vocal detail that leads you to that conclusion, such as: “They clenched their fists, shifted their weight and took a step back; took off their glasses, paced back and forth; told me they couldn’t go back to jail,” or “Said they were going to kick my ass.” These are what we in law enforcement call “clues.”

Document it all. Take the time to write a complete report, almost as if you are writing a novel. Be descriptive. Don’t completely rely on video. Remember that juries may not read your reports for years, and by that time you may have forgotten what hap-

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pened. A detailed report should stand on its own merit.

One of our good friends, John Bostain, who is a Use of Force Instructor for FLETC and Caliber Press, put on a class at the ILEETA conference this year called, “Shots fired. Now what?” He uses a great acronym – CYA. No, it is not what you think; it means “Can You Articulate?” This is a reminder to write complete and thorough reports, and not just for critical incidents.

Remember the old saying; if it wasn’t written down, it didn’t happen.

Train hard. Stay safe.

Wilfrid “Mac” Macheak, 89 Retired County Conservation Officer

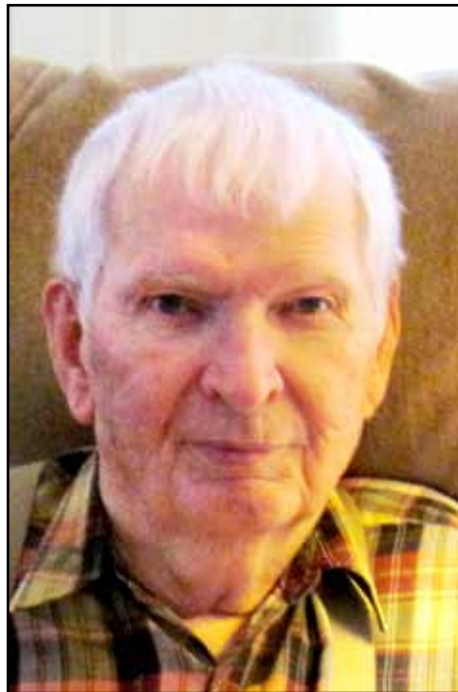
Wilfrid “Mac” Macheak, 89, of Sun Lakes, Arizona, formerly of Forest City, passed away August 4 at his home.

Macheak was a long-time conservation officer for the Iowa State Conservation Commission. He began his tour of duty in 1953, stationed at Ottumwa, in charge of Wapello and David Counties, then transferred to Winnebago and Worth Counties in 1955, moving to Forest City. He worked for the State of Iowa as a County Conservation Officer for 25 years, and retired in 1979.

Macheak was involved in many noteworthy conservation projects in North Iowa. He was instrumental establishing county conservation boards in both Winnebago and Worth Counties in 1958. He worked closely with both boards for 18 years in the acquisition and development of more than 1,600 acres of park and recreation areas.

The renovation of the Winnebago River in 1960, from the source in Minnesota to the dam at Fertile, made a tremendous improvement in the quantity and quality of fishing for many years. Raising the dam on Silver Lake, and subsequent purchases of 120 acres of land, both for the Worth County Conservation Board and the State Conservation Commission, helped make useable an area that had lain idle for over 60 years. Assisting with the acquisition and development of over 1,800 acres of and for Elk Creek Marsh was one of the highlights in Macheak’s career.

Macheak was very active in public re-



lations and conservation education. One of his projects was the introduction and use of Conservation Workbooks in grades 6 – 8. Over 20,000 of the workbooks were distributed to classrooms from 1955 through 1975. He was one of the first individuals to conduct Conservation Education Outdoor Classrooms for school children at wildlife areas in the two counties. All schools in Winnebago and Worth Counties participated in Hunter Safety Courses, with over 5,000 students receiving their Hunter Safety Certificates.

Macheak was a tireless advocate for his fellow officers. In 1956, he drew up the

Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws for a proposed officers association. He handed them out at a state meeting in Spirit Lake in September 1956, despite opposition from the higher levels of management. In July 1957, the officers voted and did adopt the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws for the Iowa Fish and Game Officers Association. Macheak was very honored in July 1975, when the wardens voted him a life membership in the Association.

Macheak introduced the first proposal for a pension plan for wardens, which took 18 years of lobbying to establish in 1976.

In the early days of his career, the officers received no type of uniform allowance. In 1965, Macheak appeared before the Joint Fish and Game Committee of the House and Senate, and both committees recommended paying for officers’ clothing, side arms, and other necessary equipment. It passed by the legislature that same year.

Macheak received the “Founder’s Pin” for establishing the Worth County Chapter of the Izaak Walton League of America. He was honored in 1974 by the Shikar Safari Club International as the Wildlife Officer of the Year. He apprehended more than 1,800 individuals for various infractions of the conservation laws.

He was preceded in death by his wife Shirley, and is survived by his children Sue Smith, Prescott, Arizona, and Leih Cooper, Glendale, Arizona, one grandchild, and one great-grandchild.

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Progress being made in fighting synthetic drugs around Iowa

by **Kellie Paschke**
IPOA Lobbyist

A series of recent developments in synthetic drug enforcement in Iowa may help lead the way to other investigations and prosecutions involving these fast-changing and elusive substances, for which controlled substance scheduling laws have had difficulty keeping up.

More synthetic drug compounds have been listed as Schedule I controlled substances under Iowa law. A bill (SF 2121) approved by the Legislature and signed into law this year by Governor Branstad outlaws seven more synthetic drug types, three of which were banned on an emergency rule basis last year. The new law takes effect July 1.

Subsequently, a new emergency rule proposal from the Iowa Board of Pharmacy was adopted to add another 14 compounds to the State's list of banned synthetic drugs. The temporary emergency ban to match federal regulations took effect March 13, and must be approved by the Legislature next year to remain in effect beyond then.

The total number of synthetic drug compounds (cannabinoids and cathinones) listed as Schedule I controlled substances in Iowa now stands at 64, plus five classes of synthetic cannabinoids. For details on the new law and rules taking effect this year, go to <http://www.iowa.gov/odcp/docs/SF2121Enrolled.pdf> and <http://www.iowa.gov/odcp/docs/EmergencyRule2014Synthetics.pdf>.

The Iowa Court of Appeals earlier this year issued what could be a precedent-setting ruling to uphold the 2013 conviction of a man in Black Hawk County on charges of possessing a controlled substance. The effect of the ruling could mean that in cases involving synthetic cannabinoids, it may not matter whether the specific compound name is listed as a controlled substance in the Iowa Code. The Appeals Court ruling



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published in March, and reported by the Office of the Prosecuting Attorneys Training Coordinator, determined the language from Iowa Code section 124.204(4)(u) sufficiently identified a product named "100% Pure Evil" as a controlled substance. Part of that Iowa Code language includes as Schedule I controlled substance "...synthetic equivalents of the substances contained in the Cannabis plant." Law enforcement agencies are encouraged to consult with county attorneys for local legal guidance stemming from this ruling. For more information on this noteworthy case, go to <http://www.iowa.gov/odcp/docs/UpdateIowaCourtSyntheticDrugRuling.pdf>.

Also in March, following actions by several other local law enforcement agencies in Iowa, Des Moines Police concluded what is believed to be the State's largest-ever investigation into the sale and distribution of synthetic drugs with a one-day city-wide sweep. Several store clerks were arrested and charged with distributing controlled substances, more than 1,300 packets of synthetic drugs were seized and nearly \$10,000 in cash was confiscated

with boxes of financial records. Additional charges have been filed since the initial operation, and an investigation by multiple agencies continues. For more on this story, go to <http://www.iowa.gov/odcp/docs/DMRSyntheticDrugInvestigation3-21-14.pdf>.

Finally, on April 24, Iowa Attorney General Tom Miller filed a consumer fraud lawsuit against two Des Moines convenience store owners over the sales of synthetic drugs. The suit alleges the owners of a Shop 'N Save store violated the Iowa Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act, as well as the Iowa Consumer Fraud Act. The lawsuit, which is the first civil case filed in Iowa to stop future synthetic drug sales, claims products were misbranded drugs, and that the defendants engaged in consumer fraud in selling them.

"We hope this civil case will send a clear message to Iowa retailers that we're ready to do battle, and that selling synthetic drugs isn't worth the safety risk to your customers or the legal risk to you," said Iowa Attorney General Tom Miller, adding that it's his goal to complement the excellent work of law enforcement on the criminal front in a challenging legal environment.

Miller seeks an injunction prohibiting the defendants from advertising or selling synthetic drugs, and seeks unspecified civil penalties, which state law sets at up to \$40,000 per violation. The Attorney General said his office would continue to pursue civil litigation against other Iowa retailers found to sell synthetic drugs. Get more on this announcement at <http://www.iowa.gov/odcp/docs/AttorneyGeneralSuesOverSyntheticDrug4-24-14.pdf>.

For comprehensive information on synthetic drugs, and to look for future updates as they become available, check out the Governor's Office of Drug Control Policy website at <http://www.iowa.gov/odcp>.





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Lee County and Des Moines County Sheriffs' Offices Announce Kristin Kramer as Community Transition Coordinator (CTC)

The Lee County and Des Moines County Sheriff's Offices have welcomed Kirstin Kramer to their facilities as Community Transition Coordinator (CTC). Kramer is employed by the Southeast Iowa Regional Planning Commission (SEIRPC).

She will assist inmates who suffer from mental illness as they transition to the community from our correctional environment.

The CTC position is the result of two years of meeting and planning in an effort to implement a jail diversion program. The county jails can only do what their budgets and the current economic trends can support, so it is hoped Kramer can help reduce recidivism of the mentally ill by arranging appropriate services for them as they return to the community.

Kramer was a three-sport athlete in high school. She and a teammate also won a state science fair competition, earning them an all-expense paid trip to the International Science Fair in Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Atlanta, Georgia. Kramer continued sports participation in college, where she became involved with jail-based research. She is an avid reader.

Kramer holds an M.A. in Clinical Psychology and a B.A. in Forensic Psychology. She interned at the Mental Health Institute in Mt. Pleasant, the Scott County Jail in Davenport, and the Iowa Medical and Classification Center at Coralville.

She loves traveling to her sister's sporting events and visiting college friends, and remains active through weightlifting and



yoga. Other free time is spent with family oriented activities.

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Thank You for Allowing Me to Represent ISSDA and Iowa at National Sheriffs' Assn. Conference

As I begin to write this article, my mind wanders to several different places.

I think about this morning with a summertime haze to the horizon as I drove into the Sheriff's Office. Of course, we are under a heat advisory today and a lot of us will complain that it is hot. Then, I think about a conversation I had with a young man who is currently deployed in Afghanistan. We were instant messaging and he said where he is currently stationed it is 115 degrees plus every day. This makes me step back and think the temperature in Iowa isn't so bad.

I think about the time I spent in Texas during the month of June. My first trip was to southern Texas with 21 high school students. This is an area where approximately 1,000 people a day are crossing over into Texas. Many of these individuals are children with older siblings who are also children. How do we react to this? Many are trying to escape violence and create a better life. I struggle with how we should deal with these individuals. As sworn officers, we are to enforce the laws of Iowa. But we are also human, too. I come from a family where only one generation separates us from those who immigrated to the United States and the State of Iowa. So I ask again, and question how we should react to this?

My wife, Elaine, and I also spent time in Fort Worth, Texas, at the National Sheriffs' Association Annual Conference, which was held in downtown Fort Worth at the convention center. What a beautiful city. Elaine and I walked around downtown and felt very comfortable. Sundance Square, which is located downtown, is a great place to relax in the evening and a great place for children, if you have your family with you.

The hospitality that Sheriff Anderson of Tarrant County and his staff showed toward those attending the conference will be



ISSDA President: Deputy Don De Kock
Mahaska County Sheriff's Office

extremely hard to beat. The Tarrant County Sheriff's Office had several vans that transported you between your hotel, the conference center and other locations of your choosing. Once you arrived at the conference center, a staff member would open the door of the van for you and help the ladies exit the van. And then another staff member would be holding the door to the conference center open for you. On days that it rained, they even had someone there with an umbrella so you would not get wet while walking from the van into the conference center.

The classes this conference provided were, again, very good. When I go to a conference, my goal is always to bring back something to help me be a better deputy sheriff for Mahaska County – and that happened with the classes I attended at the National Sheriffs' Association Conference.

The exhibit hall was fantastic, with a

large selection of vendors and demonstrations. One vendor did provide an evening at a honky-tonk bar called Billy Bob's. This place sat 7,500 people. Billy Bob's, which is located near the Fort Worth Stockyards, is definitely a place to see if you visit the Fort Worth area.

So much for the fun I had this summer; it is now time to get back to work for the Association.

I have been assured the Jail School that will be held in September at the Airport Holiday Inn in Des Moines will be a great school, again.

The Schools Committee has most of the scheduling of speakers done already for Winter School.

The Legislative Committee has begun its work to identify priorities for the 2015 Legislative Session. So, if any one of you has a suggestion or concern that involves legislative action, please contact one of the committee members and ask them to bring it to the Committee.

As a result of several discussions that took place in Fort Worth at the National Sheriffs' Association Annual Conference on legislative concerns, a joint meeting for the presidents/ executive directors and others will be held in Minnesota in September. The states to be represented at this meeting will be Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota and Iowa.

I have to thank the members of ISSDA for allowing me to attend and represent the ISSDA, and the State of Iowa, at the National Sheriffs' Conference.

Always remember to keep the wind at your back, the salt spray in your face and never forget whose hand is on the tiller.

Be Safe out there.
Don De Kock, President

Seminars at Holiday Inn, 450 Main St., Dubuque, Iowa, co-sponsored by the Dubuque County Sheriff's Office

Sept. 15: "Gangs – Their History, an Inside Perspective and Suppression Strategies"

Sept. 16: "Gangs – The Inner Workings from a Former Gang Member; Intel Gathering"

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Consider Serving ISSDA and Our State by Joining the Board or an ISSDA Committee

Greetings.

Although we are still enjoying the warm weather after last winter's deep freeze, now is probably a good time to start thinking about this year's ISSDA Winter School, to be held December 7th through the 10th at Embassy Suites in Des Moines.

While the School's Committee has done a great job of putting together an agenda for another terrific training conference for us, there is another issue associated with the conference that will require your help... that being the election of board officers.

This year we will be electing two sheriffs for two-year, at-large seats on the board. I strongly encourage any sheriffs who have contemplated being more involved in the Association to consider running for the board. The time commitment is not unreasonable, and typically only includes monthly committee assignment meetings and board meetings, and attendance at the Civil, Jail, and Winter Schools.

Board members are reimbursed for their hotel stays, meals, and travel expenses, if necessary, and if not otherwise provided or reimbursed by their Counties.

Since we're talking about participation, let's talk a little about how important it is for everyone in the Sheriff's Office to participate in the Association. The ISSDA is truly the voice of the sheriffs, deputies, and Sheriff's Office employees throughout the state. The association provides many benefits for Sheriff's Office employees, including training at the annual Civil, Jail and Winter Schools, lobbying the legislature on issues directly impacting the office of sheriff and public safety, and helping the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy and the Department of Corrections in establishing



Secretary: Sheriff Brian Gardner
Linn County Sheriff's Office

jailer training and state jail standards – to name just a few.

The Association also has internal committees staffed by members that handle legislative, jails, schools, public relations, Gold Star magazine, funeral and Honor Guard, uniform, scholarship, civil book, website, nominations, ballot, audit, and resolutions issues.

And ISSDA members serve on many external committees and boards, including IPERS, E911 Communications, LECC, Tele-Communicator Advisory Board, Sex Offender Multi-Disciplinary Review team, LEATAC, DHS Reorganization, ISOR, Governor's Task Force on Juvenile Race and Detention, ISAC CoStar, DARE, ISAC Legislation, ODCP, and Iowa Farm Animal Care.

As you can see, ISSDA members are

well represented on Iowa committees and boards. For these reasons we need your involvement in the Association.

Not wanting to leave out the next scheduled ISSDA training conference, I should probably point out that Jail School is scheduled for September 14 through 17 at the Airport Holiday Inn in Des Moines. As always, the Jail and Schools Committees have done a great job of putting together another quality training conference. One of their primary presenters is a motivational speaker who, according to all accounts, should be providing attendees with a very informative and inspirational training session.

Now might also be a good time to address the National Sheriffs' Association. The NSA annual conference was held June 21 through 26 in Fort Worth, Texas. Iowa is fortunate that we have two sheriffs who are former NSA presidents that continue to serve on the NSA board: Marshall County Sheriff Ted Kamachus and Story County Sheriff Paul Fitzgerald. There is also great benefit to belonging to the NSA.

In addition to monthly advisory bulletins, they put on two annual conferences that serve up top-notch instruction on various topics of importance to sheriffs and deputies. A note of interest at this year's NSA annual conference was Scott County Sheriff Dennis Conard receiving the 2013 J. Stannard Baker award for outstanding achievements in highway safety.

I look forward to seeing all of you at Winter School and... Here's hoping that you all stay safe.

Sincerely,
Sheriff Brian D. Gardner
ISSDA Secretary

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At the Airport Holiday
Inn, Des Moines

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Des Moines

Old Cedar County Jail Museum Celebration August 30 Honors Past Sheriffs; Offers Tours, Music & Shortcake

By Keith L. Whitlatch

Cedar County Sheriff (retired)
Old Cedar County Jail/ Museum

The Cedar County Friends of Historic Preservation is a nonprofit 501(C3) group that owns the old Cedar County Jail and House and operates it as "The Old Cedar County Jail Museum." We are the official museum for the Iowa State Sheriff's and Deputies Association for the entire state of Iowa. Each year, we run several special activities at the jail museum, plus we are open the 1st Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

One of our activities is to honor former sheriffs of Cedar County. In 2012, we honored Sheriff Bill Christian, who was sheriff from 1933 to 1942. Last year, we honored two former sheriffs: Charles Willey, who was the sheriff from 1943 - 1956, and Elwood Hemmingway, who served from Jan. 1, 1957, to Dec. 31, 1958. Their careers were intertwined. Each man served as the other's deputy at one time.

This year we are planning to honor Jack Leverenz, 1959 - 1963, Richard (Dick) Barden, 1963 - 1972, and Eugene (Dick) Hancock, 1972 - 1976.

Jack actually served as a deputy under Elwood Hemmingway. Jack resigned to take a position with the Iowa Department of Public Safety. Dick Barden had served as a deputy sheriff under Sheriff Leverenz. Dick Barden was appointed to fill out Leverenz's term and was later elected to the Office of Sheriff. Dick Barden was the first sheriff in Iowa to pilot his own plane, and one of the first sheriffs in Iowa to attend the FBI Academy for officers. Leverenz and Barden were the first sheriff and deputy to wear complete "officer" uniforms.

Eugene (Dick) Hancock, 1972 - 1976, was appointed to serve as sheriff by the Cedar County Board of Supervisors in October 1972, after he defeated Sheriff Barden in the primary election. He was then elected sheriff in the general election. Hancock had been serving as deputy under Sheriff Barden. Dick Hancock later worked security at the University of Iowa.

To honor these three sheriffs, we are try-



Stop by the Old Cedar County Jail Museum on August 30 to see Singing Cowboy Johnny Krob, from 1 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.; a ceremony at 2:15 p.m. honoring retired Sheriffs Jack Leverenz (1959 - 1963), Richard (Dick) Barden (1963 - 1972), and Eugene (Dick) Hancock (1972 - 1976); tours, and spend time visiting and enjoying some of the Cedar County Friends of Historic Preservation's famous homemade shortcake and strawberries with ice cream.

ing to contact as many of their family, descendants and friends as we can. We have some information from newspaper files and books, and some pictures but we need more! We have pictures of the sheriffs, but if you have anything of interest please contact me or you are welcome to bring it with you to this event.

The widows of the three Former Sheriffs have been invited: Grace Leverenz, Doris Barden and Bev Hancock. Incidentally, Judy Archer started to work for Sheriff Barden in 1965, and was the first female deputy sheriff in Cedar County. She was deputy, secretary and jail matron. Keith Whitlatch was Tipton Chief of Police. Judy served as radio dispatcher for Sheriff Hancock through 1982. Judy is secretary for the Cedar County Friends of Historic Preservation: "The Old Cedar County Jail Museum."

We will also be recognizing those who worked for these three sheriffs including Judy Archer, Lora Mae (Ike) Ward, Ron and Joyce Stein, Doris (Kolsrud) Barden, Jerry Simmermaker and anyone else that

worked for them.

This special event will be held on Saturday, August 30, 2014. The museum will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for tours and visiting

Johnny Krob, the "Singing Cowboy," will entertain on the east lawn of the Old Jail from 1- 2:15 p.m. About 2:15 p.m., the ceremony will begin to pay tribute to these three past sheriffs. The Cedar County Friends will be serving their famous homemade shortcake and strawberries with ice cream.

As you can see, we have a full day planned. You and your family are invited to this celebration. If you have any information, pictures, or comments please contact me.

Keith L. Whitlatch

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I look forward to seeing and meeting you on August 30!

Johnson County S.O. Adds Patrol Boat to Meet Increased Demands of Water-Related Calls

Sgt. Brad Kunkel

For many years the Sheriff's Office's presence on the waterways of Johnson County has been limited to two small boats used for dragging and recovery operations.

Yet during his time in office, Sheriff Lonny Pulkrabek has observed an increased demand for deputies to respond to water related calls. The majority of calls come from the Coralville Reservoir, a 5,000 acre federal impoundment and Eastern Iowa boating destination that lies at the center of the County.

With the rising number of calls, an increased focus on combatting intoxicated boat operators, and the need for a boat that was more suitable for flood operations, the Sheriff saw the need for a patrol boat.

"We continued to respond to calls for service that often involved investigations out on the Coralville Reservoir," Sheriff Pulkrabek said. "This patrol boat gives us the opportunity to have a presence on the



lake and to address some of the issues that seem to pop up on a crowded reservoir."

In early 2012, Sheriff Pulkrabek tasked Capt. Gary Kramer with finding a boat suitable for the needs of the Sheriff's Office that was within a reasonable budget.

"The Sheriff asked me to look for a boat that would serve a variety of purposes including patrolling our county's lakes and rivers to address the increasing numbers of calls on our waterways in Johnson County," Kramer said.

The search led to the purchase of a 20-

foot Xpress Explorer series with a 115-hp Yamaha engine from Wild Bill's Boats in Mead, Oklahoma. After the boat was purchased and outfitted with equipment, lights, radio system and a cover for the console, the total cost was approximately \$30,000.

The patrol boat was deployed in June of 2012. Since then, it has frequently patrolled the Coralville Reservoir focusing on BWI enforcement as well as assisting the Department of Natural Resources and the Army Corp of Engineers in keeping the water safe for everyone.



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Evelyn Covington Scholarship Winners Announced by ISSDA



Adam Cain of Goose Lake, Iowa, son of Kevin and Lynn Cain, will attend Kirkwood Community College.



Jordan Drew of Lawton, daughter of David and Jara Drew, will attend the University of Northern Iowa.



Marcus Feldhans of Rockwell City, son of Jeff and Cindy Feldhans, will attend Iowa Central Community College.



Jacob Herbert of Guthrie Center, son of Michael and Nicki Herbert, will attend Des Moines Area Community College.



Gentry Johannes of Bridgewater, daughter of Alan and Linda Johannes, will attend Simpson College.



Levi Pingrey of Carroll, son of Kenneth and Julie Pingrey, will attend Simpson College.



Levi TeBrink of Le Mars, son of Jeff and Mikkell TeBrink, will attend Northwestern College.



Abby Lubeck of Cherokee is the daughter of Jennifer Lubeck.



Zachary Thomas of Ames, son of Barry Thomas and Shelly Bitx, will attend Drury University.



Ali Williams of Danville, daughter of Clint and Susie Williams, will attend Southeastern Community College.

Evelyn Covington Scholarship Award History

About 20 years ago, the Iowa State Sheriffs and Deputies Association (ISSDA) elected at their annual business meeting to support five \$500 scholarships to be called the ISSDA Scholarships.

About 10 years ago, the numbers of scholarships were increased to 10 \$1,000 scholarships. In 2010, the ISSDA board voted to decrease the amount of the schol-

arship to \$500 due to the downturn in the economy. But in 2014, the ISSDA board voted to return the amount of the scholarship to \$1,000.00 to the 10 recipients beginning with the 2014 winners.

Applicants must submit an application, an essay of at least 200 words stating any outstanding achievements, extracurricular activities, work experience, etc., that might

be helpful to the committee in judging the application; references from three teachers (past or present), and a graduation photograph.

The Scholarship Committee is comprised of ISSDA members who review the applications and make the final determination on scholarship winners at Civil School.

Scholarship Named in Honor of Crash-Injured ISSDA Leader

The ISSDA Evelyn Covington Scholarship is named after Sgt. Evelyn Covington of the Linn County Sheriff's Office. Sgt. Covington was employed with the Sheriff's Office for 23 years. At the time of her retirement, Evelyn was a sergeant in the Civil Division and very knowledgeable of civil procedure, having taught many classes on the subject.

Evelyn was initially hired as a clerk with the Sheriff's Office in February 1968. In January of 1970, she was appointed as a deputy sheriff – bookkeeper in the Civil Division. She was the recipient of the Greater Cedar Rapids Sertoma Club's "Law Officer of the Year" award in 1974. In July of 1975, Evelyn was promoted to civil sergeant.

Evelyn served on the ISSDA board for many years, and was the first woman elected president. She served in that capacity in 1989, during which the Association thrived under her leadership. Evelyn was always

cheerful and kept the "boys," as she called them, on track and on top of their game.

In the early morning hours of January 17, 1991, Evelyn was on duty and traveling with a friend to an ISSDA board meeting in Des Moines. Along the way, her vehicle struck a patch of ice and her car spun out into the center median. While waiting for a tow truck to pull her vehicle out, a semi-tractor trailer lost control in the same location and drove into the median, striking Sgt. Covington's vehicle. The ensuing collision resulted in Evelyn sustaining serious and debilitating injuries, and her passenger, LaVonne Frank, was fatally injured. Evelyn's extensive injuries necessitated her early retirement in August of 1991. She continues to reside in her northwest Cedar Rapids home, and still has occasional contact with the Sheriff's Office staff.

In acknowledgement of Sgt. Covington's dedicated and loyal service to the ISSDA, the ISSDA Board of Directors



Sgt. Evelyn Covington, retired

voted to name their scholarship program in her honor. The Evelyn Covington Scholarship Award provides up to ten \$1,000 scholarships annually to senior high school children of current ISSDA members. Applications are made to the Scholarship Committee in March of each year. The winners are awarded \$500 installments in September and February of their first year of college.



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Woodbury County News

Newly Hired Correctional Officers for the Woodbury County Sheriff's Office

All six officers recently started in the jail and are currently in their field training phase. Erin Warrior, Fred Beckman, Miranda Kluver, Eric Smith and Kayla Lavalais all have military backgrounds, while Hindman and Lavalais have college educations.



C.O. Tom Hindman C.O. Kayla Lavalais C.O. Erin Warrior C.O. Fred Beckman C.O. Miranda Kluver C.O. Eric Smith

Deputy Todd Trobaugh's 11-Year K-9, Rudy, Passes Away

It is with heavy hearts that the Woodbury County Sheriff's Office announces the passing of 11-year veteran K-9 Deputy Rudy.

K-9 Rudy was handled by veteran Deputy Sheriff and K-9 handler Todd Trobaugh. Rudy worked the street until he was 14 years old, and just recently retired from a very productive career.

Rudy was trained to do it all, finding drugs, making criminal apprehensions, conducting ar-

ticle searches, finding lost children and elderly people, and was a great ambassador for the Sheriff's Office doing multiple K-9 demonstrations during his career.

Rudy also sired a number of K-9s currently working for the Woodbury County Sheriff's Office and the Sioux City Police Department. With everything Rudy accomplished, however, he made his biggest impact in life on his best friend and handler, Deputy Todd Trobaugh.



Sheriff Dave Drew attends the "Leeds Days" 125th Year Celebration

Woodbury County Sheriff Dave Drew attended the 125th birthday celebration of Leeds, a Sioux City neighborhood founded in 1889 as a town. In the photos, Sheriff



Drew is shown with Miss Teen Iowa USA, Amanda Armstrong, and with a group of dancers.

TASER Body Cameras Now Worn by 75 Woodbury County C.O.s and Deputies

Correctional Officer Shane Severeide (on the left) and Deputy Zane Chwirka are shown wearing new TASER body cameras. C.O. Severeide is wearing the chest-mounted body cam, which is the model being used in the jail. Deputy Chwirka is wearing the AXON Flex camera, which is mounted to his collar on his left shoulder. Every C.O. and deputy has been outfitted with a camera, and they are proving to be a very valuable asset. Below is a Sioux City Journal news article written by Molly Montag about the new cameras:

Wearable cameras coming for Woodbury sheriff deputies, jailers

By Molly Montag
Sioux City Journal

May 6, 2014: Those who come into contact with Woodbury County sheriff deputies and correctional officers will soon be on camera. Staff will begin using 75 wearable cameras in June. Department training is Wednesday.

The cameras allow officers to record interactions outside the view of cameras mounted on patrol cars and the jail's security cameras. Jailers will wear the camera in a holster on the front of their shirt. Patrol deputies can wear it on their collar, eyeglasses or hat, said Sheriff's Lt. Tony Wingert.

Footage can be used as evidence and to investigate claims of



police misconduct.

"In today's society, everything's on video," Wingert said. "If we have it on video, it's indisputable."

The Woodbury County Sheriff's Office is the largest department in Iowa to use the wide-angle, color cameras, according to device manufacturer TASER International.

Footage is uploaded automatically to a website for review.

The cameras, training and video storage cost about \$50,000.]
-- Associated Press

Law Enforcement Memorial Weekend

At right, this photo shows Sheriff Dave Drew and Lt. Lynette Phillips with Kris Hermann and son Tom Hermann during Law Enforcement Memorial week in May. Kris Hermann is the mother, and Tom the brother, of Jon Hermann, who was tragically killed in a plane crash with Capt. Phil Heimbecker while transporting a prisoner back to Woodbury County from Fort Madison State Penitentiary in 1993. Kris and Tom have always participated in the annual memorial.



Sioux City Bandits Support DARE

At left, Sheriff Dave Drew (center), Deputy Kevin West and members of the Sioux City Police Department participate in the Sioux City Bandits Arena Football organization's annual D.A.R.E. Night. The Bandits organization has been a supporter of the local D.A.R.E. program for many years.

Retired Clayton Co. Sheriff Verdean Dietrich

Verdean Lyndall Dietrich, 70, of Garnavillo, died Wednesday, May 28, at the Guttenberg Municipal Hospital, Guttenberg.

Verdean was born March 3, 1944, to Cornelius and Pearl (Schloetzer) Dietrich, in rural Elkader. He attended school in Guttenberg until the 10th grade, and later obtained his GED. Dietrich was united in marriage to Bonnie LaDage on Feb. 8, 1964, in Marion, Iowa, and was blessed with three children: Brian, Janadene and Shelley.

Dietrich lived and worked in Cedar Rapids after marriage, and then moved back to Guttenberg, where he worked for the city of Guttenberg and also drove an ambulance. He and wife Bonnie owned and operated the bowling alley, located above the Ben Franklin in Guttenberg. Dietrich graduated from the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy on May 2, 1969. He served as Garnavillo Police Chief from 1969 through 1977, and also worked for the city of Garnavillo doing maintenance.

Dietrich served as a volunteer fireman for more than 25 years, as well as assistant fire chief, fire chief and a first responder. Dietrich became a deputy sheriff for the Clayton County Sheriff's Office in 1977, and sheriff from 1985 until retiring in 2001.

He was a member of the ISSDA. Dietrich was a member of the E911 Communications board, and was the emergency management coordinator for many years. He worked as Garnavillo police chief from 2001 to 2010. Dietrich served in law enforcement 41 years and 56 days, and was very proud of being an officer, deputy, sheriff and chief.

Dietrich also worked part time for the City of Garnavillo doing administrative duties and maintenance. He was very dedicated to serving his community in any way he could, as well as helping his friends and neighbors. During his lifetime, he loved gardening, mowing grass, plowing snow, playing Santa, doing latch hook and needlepoint, puzzles, telling stories, fishing in Minnesota and bowling; spending time with his wife, daughters and grandchildren was very important to him. He also loved to watch his grandchildren at their school, sporting events and dance. He was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Garnavillo.

Dietrich is survived by his wife of 50 years, Bonnie; two daughters, Jan (David) Heck of Garnavillo and Shelley (Jason) Oberbreckling of Coggon; seven grandchildren, Hayley Dietrich of Cedar Rapids, Tyler and Brianna Werges and Daden,



Jayce, Ella and Kasten Oberbreckling of Coggon; brother, Owen (Lorraine) Dietrich of Cedar Rapids; his sister-in-law, Phyllis Dietrich of Dubuque; and numerous nieces and nephews and great-nieces and nephews.

Verdean was preceded in death by his parents; his son, Brian; his brother, Leroy; and his sister, Arleen.

In lieu of flowers, plants and all types of sympathy, the family as requests memorials be given to either the Muscular Dystrophy Association, Garnavillo Fire Department & EMS, Garnavillo Boosters, or a charity of your choice.

Condolences may be left at www.tueck-eallyn.com.

Girl Scouts Make Blankets for Kids Facing Trauma

At right, Woodbury County Lt. Charlie Hertz is shown with a local Girl Scout troop that took the time to make blankets for small children experiencing traumatic events. The blankets were bagged and issued to deputies to be kept in their patrol vehicles until needed.



Woodbury County S.O. Promotes "Move Over"

At left, the Woodbury County Sheriff's Office is showing its support for the nationwide #Moveover campaign.

Retired Jefferson County Sheriff Bill R. Angstead of Keosauqua

Bill R. Angstead, 82, of Keosauqua and formerly of Fairfield, died May 22 at Sunnysbrook Living Care Center in Fairfield.

Angstead was born October 20, 1931, in Fairfield, the son of Harold Sylvan and Nellie Edith Nott Angstead. He grew up in Fairfield and graduated from Fairfield High School.

He married Jean Weirbach on June 11, 1949. They had three children: Amy, Adam and Kathy. Bill worked as a telephone lineman and as a carpenter with his father and brother, Don.

He served on the Fairfield Police Department, as deputy sheriff and later was Jefferson County Sheriff from 1964 to 1992.

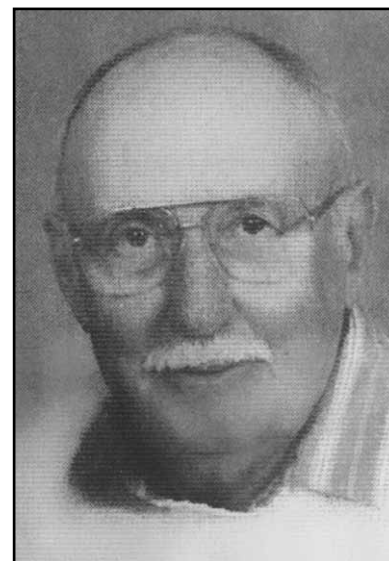
Angstead was a member of the Army National Guard. He married Judith Wheeler on April 15, 1982, in Fairfield. They moved to their retirement home on Lake

Sugema in 1992.

She preceded him in death on September 16, 2003. Angstead was also preceded by his parents, and brother Harold (Coly) Angstead.

Surviving are his children: Cathy Brunton and husband, Robert, of Ft. Lauderdale, FL; Amy Nansel of Seattle, Washington; Adam Angstead and wife, Shana, of Iowa City; his step-children: Bob Bowman, Dorrie and husband Mike Lyons of Fairfield, and Cathy Bowman, all of Fairfield; two Grandchildren, nine step-grandchildren and three step-great grandchildren; brother Donald "Deke" Angstead of Fairfield; Sister Harriett Gustafson of Freeport, Illinois.

A Memorial service was conducted on August 1, 10:30 a.m., at the Raymond Funeral Home in Fairfield. A private family interment was in the Purdom Cemetery at Keosauqua.



Memorials may be made to Fairfield Police Reserve or to Noah's Ark Animal shelter.

Retired Butler Co. Chief Deputy Eldo Wiegmann

Eldo Dean "Cuppy" Wiegmann, 83, of Allison, Iowa, passed away Friday, May 9, 2014, at Allen Memorial Hospital in Waterloo,.

He was born on January 8, 1931, in Marble Rock, Iowa, to Eldo and Ina (Melugin) Wiegmann.

Cuppy graduated from Allison High School, and served his country in the United States Marines during the Korean War. Cuppy was united in marriage to Thelma Stille on October 24, 1952, in Mason City.

He served Butler County for 54 years, working as a janitor, deputy, chief deputy and a bailiff.

Cuppy was a member of the Allison Amvets, the Shriners, the Allison Drill Team and St. James Lutheran Church in Allison.

He was very proud of his children. Cuppy followed all of his grandchildren's activities and enjoyed playing board games with his great-grandchildren. He also enjoyed fishing, gardening and watching sports.

Cuppy is survived by his wife Thelma Wiegmann of Allison, daughter Jeannie (John) Hughes of Tarpon Springs, Florida, son Bob (Connie) Wiegmann of Marble Rock, daughter Carol (John) Lilienthal of Parkersburg, son Brad (Judy) Wiegmann of Springdale, Arkansas, son Jon (Dawn) Wiegmann of Parkersburg, eighteen grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, along with many other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents Eldo and Ina and father and mother-in-law Martin and Iva Stille.



Burial took place in the Allison Cemetery.

Friends in the Trade Say Thanks to Orgel



From left are Hardin County sheriff Dave McDaniel, Don Orgel, Linn County Sheriff Brian Gardner, Clinton County Sheriff Rick Lincoln, U.S. Marshall Ken Runde, and ISSDA President Don DeKock. (Photo: Eldora Herald-Ledger)

By Rick Patrie
News Editor

HARDIN COUNTY – Major Don Orgel had some help last week, saying good-bye to a three-decade career in law enforcement in this area.

Orgel, over the years, was part of all the law enforcement departments in the county. But in the most recent phase of his career, he was the man in charge of the civil actions overseen by the Sheriff. The job involved service of papers, and included the management and administration of various court ordered liens, sales, the garnishment of wages and other related transactions.

Orgel will have more time for family now. He and wife Judy hope to do some traveling, see more of their kids, and he hopes to have more time for his hobby,

restoring motorcycles. Orgel likes target shooting, too.

Orgel, of Eldora, has served three sheriffs and was two years with the Eldora police department early on in his career, and was for a short period the single police officer in the town of Hubbard.

Orgel graduated from the Eldora schools back in 1967 and served twelve years active duty in the military, infantry and intelligence.

He is the son of the late Carl and mother Genie Orgel, who still lives in Eldora.

Orgel and his wife, Judy, have two grown daughters and four grandchildren. He has been the chief deputy in the Hardin County Sheriffs department for 20 years.

Orgel has been just over 30 years with the department, serving during a period

which included Don Orgel's retirement was a statement on a long career in law enforcement and a big involvement in professional organizations for peace officers at the same time. It brought in a number of other area law enforcement people, some of whom are shown here, several milestones, including the construction of the new jail in 2000.

Orgel took a leading role in two major upgrades to the department's communications capacities.

And part of the reason for so many out-of-town visitors celebrating his retirement, was that Orgel was long active in professional associations designed to support law enforcement personnel.

He was once named the president of the Iowa State Sheriffs and Deputies Association.

Linn Co. Deputy VanWeelden Presented Life Saving Award

On Saturday, May 17, a female inmate was booked into the Linn County Correctional Center awaiting her court appearance.

The inmate was placed into an administrative segregation cell due to a previous injury that she had on her wrist when she arrived at the jail.

Later that evening, unbeknownst to the jail staff, the female inmate took the gauze from her bandaged wrist and wrapped it around her neck, tied it in a knot and then lay down on the bunk with her head facing away from the door.

Video later verified that one minute later, while completing a required cell check, Deputy Tythe VanWeelden attempted to speak with the inmate through the cell's observation door and observed that she appeared to be crying. Deputy VanWeelden attempted to get the inmate to sit up and



Linn County Deputy VanWeelden

she did not comply.

Deputy VanWeelden immediately called for assistance and he, along with

other deputies, entered the cell to check on the inmate's status. When they did so, they heard the inmate gasping for air. They then observed that the inmate had tied the gauze tightly around her neck, obstructing her airway.

Deputies immediately removed the gauze and due to the swift actions of Deputy VanWeelden and the others, it was determined that the inmate did not need additional medical attention due to this incident.

Although there were several staff members who responded to and assisted in this incident, the actions of Deputy VanWeelden were instrumental in saving the life of this inmate.

Because of his actions, Sheriff Brian Gardner awarded the Life Saving commendation award to Deputy Tythe VanWeelden for the act of saving a life.

Clay County Sheriff's Office Hires Deputy Joe Schueller

The Clay County Sheriff's Office hired Joe Schueller as a full-time deputy sheriff on July 1.

Deputy Schueller began his patrol duties on July 14 after serving in the Clay County Correctional Facility.

Deputy Schueller graduated as a certi-

fied peace officer from the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy in 2006, and previously served five years as a deputy sheriff in Dallas County.

Joe and his wife, Brook, have two children and make their home in Spencer.



Muscatine County Sheriff's Office Hires Eddie Cardenas, Promotes Sgt. Ardyth Orr to the Rank of Captain

Muscatine County Sheriff Dave White hired Eddie Cardenas (at left) as a new Muscatine County Deputy Sheriff on April 23. Deputy Cardenas is a certified officer, having previously worked at the Mt. Pleasant Police Department and the University of Iowa Department of Public Safety. Deputy Cardenas has been assigned to the Patrol Division.

Sheriff White has promoted Sgt. Ardyth Orr to the rank of captain on February 3. Captain Orr has been assigned as the Investigations Division supervisor. Captain Orr has served with the Sheriff's Office for 25 years, and has worked in the Patrol and Civil Division, as well as the Drug Task Force and Investigations Division.

Scott County Sheriff Dennis Conard Receives NSA Traffic Safety Award

At the recent National Sheriffs' Association annual conference in Fort Worth, Texas, Scott County Sheriff Dennis Conard received the J. Stannard Baker award for a lifetime achievement in Traffic Safety. The recognition consisted of a large display award and plaque.

Sheriff Conard credits his excellence in traffic safety to good hiring practices that have recruited deputies who have a commitment to traffic safety and holds his officers accountable to practicing traffic enforcement. He implemented hot spot report to dictate increased traffic enforcement areas. Additionally, he uses grant and sheriff budget funds to encourage and orchestrate joint effort; multi-jurisdictional traffic enforcement projects in Scott County and encourages media participation. Sheriff Conard was instrumental in instituting a uniform crash reporting system statewide for analysis, violations, and reporting. He dedicates man hours to youth education programs and seat belt enforcement efforts, alcohol related traffic violations, and is dedicated to Bi-State regional commission on roadway engineering. He also implemented the DDACTS program in Scott County, overlaying crime and crash data for a preemptive approach to traffic issues.

Sponsored by the National Sheriffs' Association, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the Northwestern University Center for Public Safety, and OnStar, the prestigious J. Stannard Baker Award for Highway Safety annually recognizes law enforcement officers and others



J. Stannard Baker Award Presentation: From Left to Right, Sheriff John Whetsel, Oklahoma County, Oklahoma, and Chairman of the Traffic Safety Committee; Mr. George Baker, Global Emergency Services Outreach Manager for OnStar (a sponsor of the award); Sheriff Dennis Conard, Scott County, Iowa; Ms. Joanne Thomka, Program Director, National Traffic Law Center, National District Attorney's Association; Sheriff Michael H. Leidholt, Hughes County South Dakota and 2013-2014 NSA President; and Mr. John W. Marshall, Director, Office of Safety Programs, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

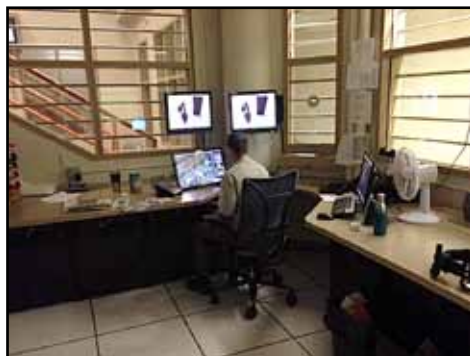
who have made significant contributions to, or outstanding achievements in, highway safety.

This award was named to honor J. Stannard Baker, a former physics professor at Northwestern University who made significant contributions to highway safety. A pioneer in accident reconstruction in-

vestigation, he developed this subject into a science by applying the laws of physics and developing mathematical equations to assist law enforcement officers in their investigations. The first books on accident reconstruction investigation were written by J. Stannard Baker and are still in use today.

Woodbury County Jail Gets \$1.2 Million in Upgrades and Renovations

The above are photos of the newly renovated Master Control and Booking areas of the Woodbury County Jail. The renovations are a part of \$1.2 million dollar project to upgrade doors and electronics controlling the doors in the jail, increase in the square footage of the existing booking lobby, and 57 new cameras with two years of video retention capability.



Required Training for Submitting Convicted Offender Samples for DNA Profiling

Iowa Code Chapter 81 requires all offenders under supervision convicted of a felony and non-felony sex offenses to submit a DNA sample for DNA profiling.

In 2013, House File 527 was passed to add most aggravated misdemeanors to the list of qualifying offenses requiring sampling. Please refer to House File 527 for the specifics of this new law, which went into effect on July 1.

Under the current list of qualifying offenses, most of the sampling is done by Iowa Department of Corrections personnel. But since the expansion involves aggravated misdemeanors, much of the additional sampling will be performed at county sheriff's offices, as newly convicted offenders come into supervision. The program expansions will double the number of convicted offender samples coming to the DCI Crime Lab for processing.

DCI Laboratory personnel are involved with several projects – prior to the expansion – to prepare for processing of these additional samples, including hiring and training additional staff, implementing new equipment and sample kits aimed at increasing automation, and validating new methodologies to improve our processing efficiencies. These efforts to more efficiently process convicted offender samples will also impact our foren-

sic DNA casework capacity by allowing us to maintain resources targeted for forensic cases rather than reassigning some resources to help with the convicted offender program.

The Offender Entry website is another important component to increasing our processing capacity to handle the additional samples. The DCI Crime Laboratory has implemented a new Offender Entry website to facilitate the submission of the convicted offender samples. The website is to be used for the sole purpose of convicted offender sample collection and submission. It is separate from the Evidence Pre-log site you may be familiar with. In March and early April, staff from the DCI Crime Laboratory provided training around Iowa on how to use the new Databank Entry website. The training covered searching for an offender, entering offender information, and submitting offender information to the laboratory. Training is required before access to the website is granted by the DCI Crime Lab. The individuals who attended this training were given a certificate of completion, a user name and a password for the website.

In response to the request for additional training opportunities, the DCI Crime Laboratory has filmed the presentation that was provided around the state. A DVD of the pre-

sentation and copies of the Offender Entry website manual can be obtained by contacting the DCI Laboratory directly (515-725-1500). The video and website manual will also be posted on the DCI website (<http://www.dps.state.ia.us/DCI/index.shtml>). After an individual watches the presentation, the DCI

The Laboratory will provide that individual with a quiz that must be completed and returned to the Laboratory. After passing the quiz the individual will be provided with a certificate of completion, a user name and a password. They will be cleared to access the website and begin entering Offenders. NOTE: The best candidates for this training would be individuals who will be involved in processing offenders through your location.

Entering sample information on the website is required for submission of convicted offender samples to the DCI Crime Laboratory for DNA profiling.

We very much appreciate the assistance your agencies are providing by entering the sample information electronically. For more information regarding the Offender Entry website, please contact: Kristin Baum baum@dps.state.ia.us, 515-559-7078, or Kathleen Kinseth kkinseth@dps.state.ia.us, 515-559-7076

Clay County Sheriff's Office Hires Three New Correctional Officers



Megan Van Schepen

The Clay County Sheriff's Office has hired three Correctional Officers to help staff the Clay County Correctional Facility. Each will be scheduled to attend a certification course through the Iowa Law Enforce-



Leah Cauthron

ment Academy within the next year.

Van Schepen began in May, 2014, she and her husband Andrew, make their home in Spirit Lake. Whitacre began in May, 2014, he and his son reside in Spencer.



Brandon Whitacre

Cauthron began in June, 2014, she and her husband Randy have six children and reside in Spencer.

ISSDA's Y-Camp: Overcoming Challenges Brings Kids Personal Growth (And Fun)

It was another great week here at the Des Moines Y-Camp, with the campers attending our annual Sheriffs' and Deputies' Camp on June 15 – 21.

Ninety-nine campers from all across the State of Iowa came, and enjoyed, all of the fun and relationship-building programs at camp this year.

The campers stayed in cabins with about 10 peers and two Y-Camp leaders. They had the opportunity to select their morning activities from a list that included archery, riflery, arts and crafts, soccer, and much more. They spent each morning participating in a more in-depth instruction in the activities they choose during what are called "Pathways."

Afternoons were spent with cabin mates participating in activities ranging from horseback riding to rock climbing and everything in between. One camper, at the climbing tower, exclaimed, "Camp is so fun! I never thought I'd be good at climbing – but I was great!"

Y-Camp is a great place for kids to learn more about the outdoors, and experience challenges and programs they hadn't been exposed to before. Through those experiences of overcoming challenge, they grow to become more confident individuals and realize a new sense of accomplishment and self worth. Camp teaches children social skills and fosters development, which encourages campers to be more involved and successful members of their school and community.

The benefits of being at camp are the main reason that ISSDA and Y-Camp forged the bond to create the Sheriffs' and Deputies' program. The partnership has brought campers from many backgrounds and situations to camp so they can build friendships and learn new skills. It also allows them to take time away from their busy and stressful lives, and enjoy time in nature, singing songs and be goofy.

Many campers fondly consider camp a home away from home – full of lessons, friends, and fun. The number of campers crying during our closing program, from teenage boys to nine-year-old girls, was a staggering reminder of how important their



time at camp was. It was another amazing week at camp, and we are all looking forward anxiously to see more campers through ISSDA next year!



ISSDA's Y-Camp photos, continued



Poweshiek County Sheriff Tom Kriegel with (left to right) Y-Campers Izayah Hooven, Brydon Henning and Lucas Rowland from Montezuma Community School.



ISSDA's Y-Camp photos, continued



ISSDA's Y-Camp photos, continued



Sheriff Fitzgerald Urges ISSDA Members to Get Involved in First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) Planning

By Paul H. Fitzgerald
Story County Sheriff's Office

Dear Fellow Sheriffs:

I am writing to encourage you to be involved in Iowa's planning of the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) Nationwide Public Safety Broadband Network (NPSBN). This high-speed network will complement your traditional radio system and change how public safety in Iowa delivers services like nothing we have experienced in our careers.

Congress passed legislation in February, 2012, providing up to \$7 Billion in funding to build this nationwide communications network. As an appointed member of the Board overseeing FirstNet, I am proud to represent public safety and Iowa in the largest public safety communications initiative in our nation's history. I can assure you that the NPSBN initiative is critically important to Iowa's public safety agencies' future. We need your involvement.

Iowa's Statewide Interoperable Communications System Board (ISICSB) serves as the primary point of contact with FirstNet in developing the NPSBN.



Federal funding has been provided allowing each state to make outreach efforts to all stakeholders of the NPSBN. ISICSB has begun holding 'Town Hall' briefings in each county in Iowa. These meetings have two goals.

First, to brief public safety officials, E911 Boards, elected officials and secondary partners, such as utilities, regarding the opportunities available to them from a NPSBN; and second, to identify interested individuals to serve on one of six Regional Interoperability Committees (RICs). Each

RIC will be formed with a chair and vice chair to provide direction to the ISICSB regarding that region's interoperability requirements. The ISICSB will communicate broadband related requirements to FirstNet for consideration in NPSBN planning.

I encourage you to get involved with Iowa's planning efforts underway for the NPSBN by attending an outreach meeting, sending appropriate staff so they understand the potential of this system, inviting fellow public safety officials to also attend with you, and lastly, becoming involved in your RIC.

ISICSB has already completed over ten NPSBN presentations and are actively scheduling others through each counties point of contact. Please feel free to contact me directly, or Iowa's Statewide Interoperability Coordinator (SWIC) Craig Allen at (515) 725-6108 should you have any questions, need additional information, or wish to schedule a presentation on the NPSBN.

Respectfully,
Paul H. Fitzgerald,
Story County Sheriff
FirstNet Board Member



More Y-Camp photos, above.

New Dog on the Block (in Osceola County)

By Robin Baumgarn
Daily Globe

SIBLEY, Iowa — The Osceola County Sheriff's Department has recently acquired a new drug dog, Hunter, to replace canine retiree Kyzer. Deputy Tyler Bos has been assigned as his trainer, and looks forward to the partnership. Thanks to community fundraising efforts and a substantial grant from the Osceola Community Foundation, the Sheriff's Office was able to purchase and train its newest four-legged member. The foundation gave Osceola County \$3,500 of the dog's \$5,200 price tag.

Hunter, a chocolate lab-bloodhound, was a rescue dog from Pleasant Hill, Iowa. Dennis George with Midwest Canine selects dogs from rescues who can be trained as police dogs and works with the animals. George has trained a number of drug dogs in departments across Iowa, and trained Hunter for 60 days. During Hunter's initial training, the duo bonded over an 11-day period to establish the relationship of Deputy Bos being his handler. Now, Hunter lives with Bos on a full-time basis.

Training process

Bos said the typical training period is only 30 days, but he asked for Hunter to be trained in tracking in addition to his drug-sniffing training. Now, Hunter is able to distinguish between the "main four" drugs — marijuana, meth, cocaine and heroin — but is not limited to identifying just those four. He is also trained in scent discrimina-

tion, making him useful in tracking people.

Bos noted the dog is only trained for the purpose of drug detection and tracking. Dogs in other departments may be cross-trained to attack perpetrators. Hunter's friendly demeanor makes it easy to see he is a single-purpose dog.

Bos related that people have come up to Hunter to pet him due to his gentle nature. However, the public should be reminded he is a service animal, not a family pet, and should only be approached with permission from his handler.

Good things in big packages Hunter is a very large dog for his age and breed. Estimated between 12 and 16 months old, Hunter stands 28 inches at his withers and weighs 92 pounds. Labs are typically between 21 and 24 inches. Bos estimates Hunter will be 105 pounds when he is fully grown. At first, the dog's size worked against him, now it is an asset.

"Dennis actually did everything, tried to fail him on everything, because he's so big. But he passed insurmountable odds, and that's where he is today," Bos commented.

Initially, George had two potential dogs for Osceola County to choose from, but when Bos traveled to Pleasant Hill to select the dog, Hunter was the only one available, but was also a perfect match. Bos, who stands 6-foot, 8-inches tall, appreciates Hunter's large stature. When standing on his hind legs, Hunter and the officer can see eye to eye. His size also allows Bos to work with him easily.

"During my hiring process, they asked



Osceola County Deputy Tyler Bos with K-9 Hunter, who replaced the retired K-9 Kyzer.

me if that's something I'd consider during my career. I said it when I got hired, 'I'd love to be a K-9 unit at some point in time.'"

Bos' father, Rick Bos, was a K-9 deputy when he worked for Osceola County from 1989 to 1999. His dog's name was Curtis.

"Curtis was a black lab and did very well over here with Dad," Bos said. "That's something I always wanted. I've been a big dog lover throughout my life so, to get a chance to have one, I wasn't going to turn it down."

More Y-Camp photos, below.

