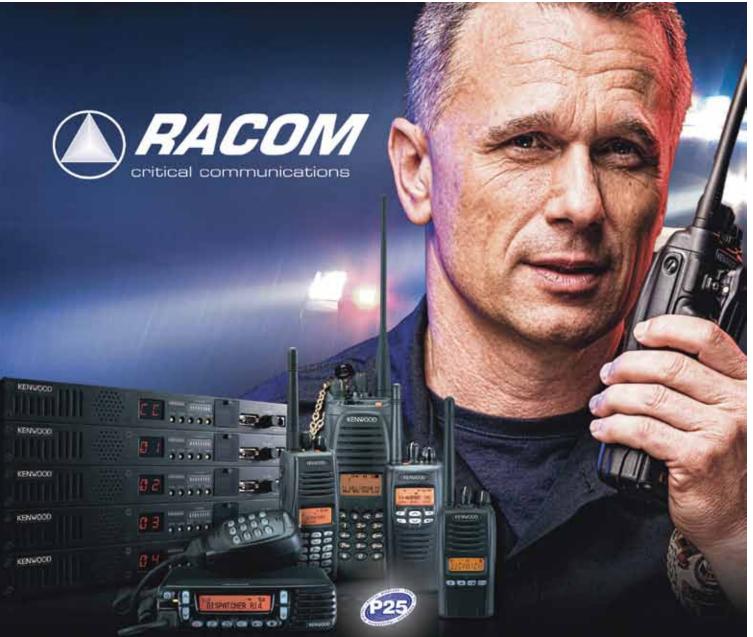


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Regional Meeting Held on Legislative Issues; Iowa Meetings Held on Courthouse Security

Where have the last two years gone? As I sit and write this article for the Gold Star, I realize this is the last article I will write. My year of service as the ISSDA President will soon come to an end, and Sheriff Brian Gardner will become President. I didn't know a year could go by so fast.

As I reflect on the last two years, with the first one being the Secretary and then this past year as the President of the ISS-DA, I think about my walk through life – the places I have been and the opportunities that have been presented to me; the people I have met from across the United States, and the relationships that have been developed.

During September, the state association presidents and executive directors from Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota and Iowa met in St. Paul, Minn., to discuss legislative issues each state is having. The meeting was set after conversations took place during the National Sheriff's Association Conference in Fort Worth, Texas, in June. Those representing Iowa included Bill Deatsch, John Godar and me. Sheriff Fitzgerald, from Story County, was also there representing the National Sheriff's Association. All who were in attendance left the meeting feeling this type of gathering needs to continue.

During the month of October, meetings have been taking place concerning courthouse security. During the last Legislative Committee Meeting, a discussion was held.

I attended a meeting concerning this issue at the Iowa Bar Association. Those in attendance included the Fifth District Chief Judge, Legislators, members of the Iowa Bar, along with others. Those representing the ISSDA included Susan Cameron, Kelly Meyers and me.

I have also represented the ISSDA at a meeting concerning courthouse security where representatives from some of the Iowa State Association of Counties (ISAC) affiliates met with Iowa Supreme Court Chief Justice Mark Cady. Some areas discussed during this meeting included: educating stakeholders about responsibilities;



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

organizing a subgroup to create a curriculum; potential resources for training; researching the possibility of administrative orders; Chief Justice Cady and other justices will continue talking about the importance of this issue; Chief Justice Cady will attend a meeting with county supervisors; and organizing a portfolio of incidents that have happened across Iowa.

Both of these meetings indicated the concern for courthouse security is on the minds of many different individuals and groups. I did not get a sense that anyone in attendance felt that nothing needed to be done. But one area of concern that was shared at both meetings was how are we going to pay for the changes, and who is going to be responsible for paying for the changes.

Questions I have for each of you to ponder are simply what changes you think need to occur in your county courthouse to make a safer place to work in, and what options do you have to pay for those changes?

I want to thank the Jail Committee for putting together a great Jail School again this year.

I want to thank all of the committees, chairmen and members for the job they do

for the ISSDA. Without individuals who are so dedicated, this Association would not be as great as it is.

As I write this article on November 4, I think about what I was doing two weeks ago on that Tuesday morning. I was sitting on the floor of an orphanage in Montego Bay, Jamaica, playing with orphans. Some are orphans because both of their parents have died, some are considered orphans because they have been taken away from their parents and the parental rights have been terminated, and some are considered orphans because their parent(s) have simply sat them down and walked away.

I particularly think about a little boy by the name of Antwan who for a long time simply stood in a corner and watched the others. After a time, he started to creep out of the corner very quietly and simply just watched. I tried to get him to throw me a ball he had in his hand, but he just shook his head no. But after some persistence, I finally got him to start to play catch with me. Once he started he never slowed down until it was time for us to leave for the day. When the time to leave comes there are many tears shed (not all by the children either).

So now I ponder did I make Antwan's life any better by playing catch with him, by holding him and most importantly by simply showing him love for a couple of days?

I would like to encourage you at the end of each shift you work. when it is time to take the uniform off, to ask yourself, "Did I make a positive difference in someone's life today?" That positive difference may have been a smile, a kind word or just your presence at the right time.

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



Winter School Dec. 7 - 10 at Embassy Suites; Renew Your Membership; Join a Committee

I write this message as my last official Gold Star correspondence to you as your ISSDA Secretary. Don't get too excited... unless you folks end up throwing a coup, you're still stuck with me communicating with you as the Association's president for the coming year. And for that, I thank you!

Well... we knew it had to happen: winter and its cold are upon us. The up side is that means it's Winter School time! This year's Winter School will be held December 7th through 10th at Embassy Suites on the River in downtown Des Moines. The agenda has recently been finalized, and by all accounts it looks like the conference will be top notch. Items of interest include Sunday night's banquet followed by entertainment by blues/ soul singer/ song writer Kevin "B.F." Burt; Monday's instruction featuring alcohol and drug trends information by nationally recognized instructor, Utah State Trooper Jermaine Galloway; and victim services information by Lynne Cornelius. Tuesday's instruction features autism risk management for law enforcement, and the DCI's child abduction response time.

Don't forget our annual business meeting Tuesday afternoon, during which we will announce the results of the election for our new Board of Directors members. The annual banquet will be held Tuesday



ISSDA Sec.: Sheriff Brian Gardner Linn County Sheriff's Office

night. In an attempt to keep the party going after the banquet, this year we will be trying something different and will have the president's reception immediately following the banquet in the same area instead of trying to stuff everyone into the president's hotel room.

Closing out the training Wednesday morning will be a PREA update from State Jail Inspector Delbert Longley, and an update on gun permit regulations by DPS's Ross Loder.

I mentioned this earlier in my message, but I am very much looking forward to the coming year and serving all of you as your next Association president. If anyone has any suggestions on what we could do as an association to better serve our members, please let me know.

If you have any interest in serving on an ISSDA committee, please let me know. Additionally, if you wish to be removed from a current committee assignment, let me know that as well. In last quarter's issue of The Gold Star, I highlighted the various committees and the importance of your involvement in them. More information on the committee activities can also be obtained by contacting the individual committee chairperson(s) or a committee member.

Finally, the annual Association membership renewal is currently underway. Please be sure to renew your membership. If you're reading this and are not currently an association member, please become one. Remember: our association is only as good as its membership.

Here's hoping that you all stay safe. Sincerely, Sheriff Brian D. Gardner ISSDA Secretary

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We will strive to dedicate our lives to improve our law enforcement profession to meet the needs of the people and the State of Iowa.

Pottawattamie County Sgt. Pam Bogardus Retires After 38 Years of Service

The Pottawattamie County Sheriff's Office announces the retirement of Sgt. Pam Bogardus.

Sgt. Bogardus started working for the Sheriff's Office as a secretary on October 20, 1975. In 1989, she became a civil deputy and attended the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy in 1990.

Sgt. Bogardus was promoted to the rank of corporal on Dec. 18 2006, and then Sergeant on May 7, 2007. She has been an icon at the Sheriff's Office for 38 years.

Although we will miss Pam, she has worked hard all her career and has earned the opportunity to enjoy more time with her family.

Please join us in wishing Pam all the best in her retirement.







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Plymouth County Swears in 10 Reserve Deputies on September 25, 2014



Plymouth County reserves who were given the oath of office on September 25: from left to right in the front row are Chief Deputy Craig Bartolozzi/ Reserve Coordinator, Steve Konz, Adam Kolker, Amanda Timmer, and Jessica Anderson. In the back row are Pat Heissel, Scott Allen, Trent Morton, Robert Rohmiller, Travis Sitzmann, Conner Delfs, and Sheriff Mike Van Otterloo.



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Clay County Hires Ash, Ortiz Retires



On Oct. 26, Clay County Deputy Julian N. Ortiz advised he was 10-42 for the final time, retiring after 25 years in law enforcement.

Deputy Ortiz served ten years in the United States Marine Corps, 2nd Force Reconnaissance Company, as a Force Recon Operator, earning the Naval Achievement Medal twice in 1987. Following his service to the Marine Corps, Deputy Ortiz began his law enforcement career in 1990 with the Alta Police Department, and graduated from the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy in the 121st Basic class. He was promoted to police chief in 1991 and served until 2001, being

recognized by Gov. Terry Branstad as Iowa's first Hispanic police chief. Deputy Ortiz served the Buena Vista and Clay County Sheriff's Offices as a part-time deputy from 2001 until becoming a full-time deputy for Clay County in 2009. Deputy Ortiz was an excellent public servant to the citizens of Clay County, providing a caring and service-oriented attitude to the end. His presence and leadership will be missed.





The Clay County Sheriff's Office hired Shaun Ash to join their jail staff on November 3.

Ash comes from Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He is a recent graduate of Coe College, and is in the process of moving to Spencer, in Clay County.

Ash is quickly learning his duties as a correction officer at the Clay County Jail, and Sheriff Randy Krukow said he looks forward to having him become another quality employee of Clay County.

Linn County's Lt. Gene Parks Retires After 43 Years of Service

While law enforcement officer retirements occur all of the time, it's uncommon for a law enforcement officer to retire after serving the agency for over four decades!

Lieutenant Gene Parks retired from the Linn County Sheriff's Office after 43 years of service. His retirement reception was held at the Sheriff's Office on Friday, September 12th. During the reception, Linn County Sheriff Brian Gardner presented Lt. Parks with his retirement plaque and retirement credentials.

Gene Parks began his career with the Sheriff's Office on September 16, 1971, as a deputy sheriff/ jailer working in the old Linn County Jail. In January of 1972, he became a jailer/ dispatcher and worked in the old radio room located in the jail. In October of 1973, Deputy Parks transferred to the Patrol Division. In July of 1977, he was promoted to sergeant and served as a Patrol Division supervisor.

In March of 1994, Lt. Parks transferred to the Criminal Division as a detective, while occasionally continuing to fill in as a Patrol Division supervisor. In February of 2010, Parks was promoted to lieutenant and was placed in his final assignment prior to retirement as the Criminal Division commander.





From WITCC NEWS

Osceola County Deputy Lee Vellema Graduates from WITCC Academy

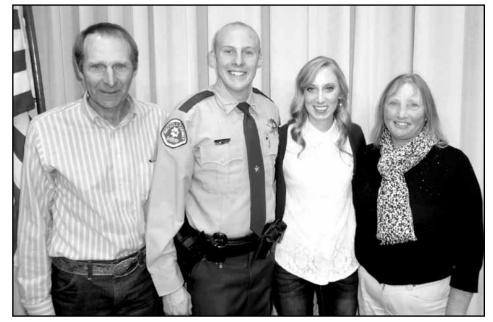
Lee Vellema of Harris, Iowa, has graduated from the regional law enforcement training academy of Western Iowa Tech Community College (WITCC), Sioux City, Iowa.

Vellema is currently serving as an officer with the Osceola County Sheriff's Office. He is a graduate of Dordt College.

WITCC's regional law enforcement training academy graduation ceremony was held at WITCC October 31st and was attended by advisory council members and local dignitaries as well as family and friends of the graduating officers. The guest speaker was Brett Stanley, special agent for Homeland Security.

Vellema is a member of the 21st group of police officers to graduate from WITCC's regional law enforcement training academy. The group enrolled for classes on September 8th in an eight-week training program. In order to graduate, the students had to demonstrate competency in 42 different subjects.

Before the creation of the academy at WITCC, individuals living in the western part of the state who wished to become police officers had to be hired by an Iowa



Deputy Lee Vellema is shown with his parents, Paul and Phyllis Vellema, and wife Stacie. Deputy Vellema graduated with the 21st class of the regional training academy at Western Iowa Tech, Sioux City, on October 31.

law enforcement agency and then attend a 15-week structured Iowa Law Enforcement Academy training program at Camp Dodge in Johnston, Iowa, near Des Moines. The establishment of the academy at WITCC enables area officers to travel daily to college from home and obtain their necessary certification in only eight weeks.

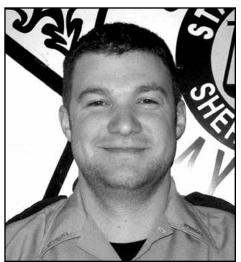
Clay County Hires Christian Copper

A familiar face within the Clay County Sheriff's Office will begin new duties as Christian Copper has been hired to fill a vacant position as a deputy sheriff.

Deputy Copper began his employment with the Clay County Sheriff's Office in 2011, working as a correctional officer in the jail. His promotion to deputy sheriff was effective as of November 3, 2014, and he will attend the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy in January 2015.

The Clay County Sheriff's Office is excited to have Deputy Copper begin his newest duties and looks forward to his continued service to the citizens of Clay County and the surrounding areas.





Sheriff Drew Completes National Sheriffs' Institute; Deputy Kevin West Retires; New K-9s Get to Work

Aurora, Colorado—Sheriff David A. Drew of the Woodbury County Sheriff's Office completed participation in the 106th session of the National Sheriffs' Institute (NSI) held in Aurora, Colorado, Sept. 14 -19. The NSI is the only national executive development program designed for sheriffs. This no-cost program is co-sponsored by the National Institute of Corrections (NIC) and the National Sheriffs' Association (NSA).



Woodbury County Sheriff David Drew (left) completed the NSI in Aurora, CO.

Sheriff Drew joined 25 other sheriffs from across the country for training on contemporary challenges facing America's sheriffs today. In light of these challenges, the sheriffs explored the role of the local sheriff in providing effective leadership for the public good in such areas as public safety, criminal justice system policy, community relations, and organization effectiveness and efficiency.

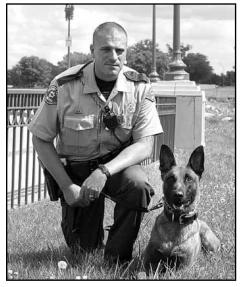
Fred G. Wilson, NSA Director of Operations, said, "Sheriff Drew is a leader with vision for the Woodbury County Sheriff's Office. It is an honor to have Sheriff Drew join the more than 2,500 graduates of the NSI since 1973."

The National Institute of Corrections (NIC) is a division of the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Prisons. It is the primary federal source of technical assistance, training, and information services for state and local corrections. NIC provides a wide variety of services to the nation's jails, most of which are the responsibility of sheriffs.

The NSA is a non-profit professional

association located in Alexandria, Virginia. NSA represents the nearly 3,100 elected sheriffs across the nation, and has more than 20,000 members including law enforcement professionals, state and federal government employees, concerned citizens, students, and others. Since 1940, NSA has served as an information clearinghouse for law enforcement professionals. NSA also provides management training for sheriffs and their personnel in court security, crime victim services, domestic violence, homeland security initiatives, jail operations, and traffic safety. Additionally, NSA administers the highly successful National Neighborhood Watch and Triad programs.

Woodbury County's Newest K-9s



Deputy Nate Sands with Riko

Both of Woodbury County's new K-9s – Ruckus with Deputy Derek Brand (in photo at right) and Riko with Deputy Nate Sands (above) – were certified in drug detection in March and Police Dog 1 in June of 2014. In October, Deputy Sands and Riko located more than one pound of meth in a suspect vehicle during a drug investigation in Sloan, Iowa. Both teams have been doing an outstanding job in their short careers.

Woodbury County is thankful for the dedication and commitment these deputies

and their partners put forth.

Deputy Kevin West Retires

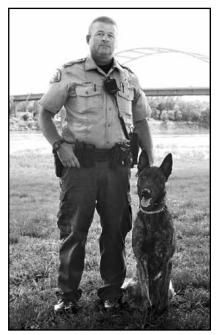
Deputy Kevin West retired in August after a very successful 26-year career with Woodbury County. Deputy



Deputy Kevin West

West started with Woodbury County as a correctional officer and was hired as a deputy sheriff in 1993. He began the school resource officer program in 1997 and trained to teach DARE the year after. Deputy West taught DARE until his retirement.

From 1997 until his retirement, Deputy West was the "face" of the Sheriff's Office at community events, in the schools and handled crime prevention duties. It is safe to say since 1997 there is not an elementary school-age-child in Woodbury County who did not know and recognize Kevin. The kids in our community affectionately called him, "Deputy Johnny Law." Deputy West will be greatly missed by our office.



Deputy Derek Brand with Ruckus.

Henry County Sheriff's Office News:

Henry County S.O. Promotes Sutton to Sergeant; Hires Ruby, Edwards, Vanderham and Aplara

On May 13, 2014 Henry County Deputy Jason D. Sutton (in photo at right) was promoted to sergeant. Sgt. Sutton is in charge of night shift deputy sheriffs and reserve deputy training as part of his new duties.

Sgt. Sutton is from the Washington, Iowa, area and currently lives near Wayland, Iowa. Sgt. Sutton began his career with Henry County Sheriff's Office on July 01, 1997, after working as a jailer for Washington County Sheriff's Office and serving in the United States Air Force.

On July 31, 2014, Laura J. Ruby was hired as a dispatcher for Henry County Sheriff's Office.

Ruby is from the Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, area. She comes to the Henry County Sheriff's Office after many years in the EMT/ Medical field.

On July 31, 2014, Angela D. Edwards was hired as a jailer for the Henry County Sheriff's Office. Edwards is from the Washington, Iowa, area. She comes from a background as a security officer.

On August 1, 2014, the Henry County Sheriff's Office hired Lynn Vanderham and Aaron Aplara as part-time jailers.



Sgt. Jason Sutton

Woodbury County Sheriff's Office News

Convoy of Hope Sioux City Provided groceries, medical care, hair cuts and more in September

Convoy of Hope is a nonprofit organization that has helped more than 67 million people throughout the world by sharing food, water, emergency supplies, agricultural know-how, and opportunities that empower people to live independent lives free from poverty, disease and hunger.

Convoy of Hope does this by mobilizing tens of thousands of volunteers each year.

On September 13, Sioux City area businesses, churches and community organizations worked together to sponsor a citywide community outreach Convoy of Hope at the Sioux City Convention Center, providing free groceries, medical care, hair cuts and more along with children's activities and live entertainment.



Sheriff Drew, Mayor Bob Scott, reserve deputies at Convoy of Hope, at Sioux City's convention center.





Woodbury County S.O. Major Greg Stallman enjoyed the day at the Convoy of Hope Sioux City with the Culvers Ice Cream Guy.

In providing these services, volunteers are given an opportunity to connect with members of their community, and guests are shown love and respect regardless of age, race, physical appearance, or spiritual condition.

Chief deputy closes his last case

By STEPHANIE IVANKOVICH TIMES-REPUBLICAN

July 12, 2014. A man who has worked at the Marshall County Sheriff's Office for more than 30 years will retire at the end of the month.

Burt Tecklenburg, chief deputy of the Marshall County Sheriff's Office, has been in law enforcement since 1979, beginning at the Marshalltown Police Department.

Sheriff Ted Kamatchus said when the Marshall County Sheriff's Office had a staff of eight people, Tecklenburg followed him from the police department and was ready to work for him.

"Ted got appointed as a sheriff and I took a leap of faith," Tecklenburg said. "I went to an agency that didn't have a whole lot and needed to be rebuilt. That's what we all did and everyone had to work pretty hard."

Kamatchus said he has countless memories of Tecklenburg working hard during that time and throughout the years.

"I remember those early days when we didn't have a SWAT team," Kamatchus said. "Burt and I crawled up to a trailer where a known felon that liked to shoot at people was at. We went in, the two of us, we were our own team. I remember many situations like that where Burt was by my side."

Tecklenburg has been the chief deputy for the last six years. He said his days are more routine.

"I take care of schedule, time off slips, I take a lot of calls from the public," Tecklenburg said. "It's a variety of things and dealing with people."

His favorite memory was police work.

"I like to get my hands on a good investigation," Tecklenburg said. "I loved that the most."

In his time he said he worked on everything from a simple check to homicide cases.

"I'm most proud of my Mid-Iowa Drug Task Force career," Tecklenburg said.

He said the Mid-Iowa Drug Task Force



took a grant in 1996 and he was the field advisor for more than 13 years.

"It was a lot of work," Tecklenburg said. "Methamphetamine exploded in Marshalltown in the early 90s, it's basically the worst drug ever and has caused a lot of social decay. We are now a community experiencing first generation aftermath of methamphetamine abuse. You see the parents of the kids that are using it and you see the mental impairment caused by drugs."

While he was a part of the Mid-Iowa Drug Task Force he said he remembered Marshalltown before meth infested the city.

"It was a small city with a small city drug problem," Tecklenburg said. "Back in the 70s and 80s there was marijuana, a little bit of cocaine, once in a while somebody had LSD. When we started hearing about methamphetamine it was almost a novelty, it was poor man's cocaine. It was called crank in the 80s and 90s. We seized and recovered an ounce of it in a year, that was amazing. Then it went to multiple pounds, almost overnight."

Tecklenburg was part of a case in 1997 where the Mid-Iowa Drug Task Force seized 40 pounds of meth and more than a quarter-million dollars worth of cash.

"It was a guy, we had no idea who he was at the time," Tecklenburg said. "We arrested his brother on drug charges before and ultimately we had the big seizure. It was a very interesting case and an eye opener to what the problem was."

Kamatchus said he thinks his big part in the Richard Tassler case in the early 90s was the highlight of his career.

Tassler was missing for a number of years, the police report had a page and a half narrative, most people thought he moved when he went missing, Kamatchus said.

"Burt did a phenomenal job of breaking down the case, finding his body and ultimately putting together the evidence of the individual who committed second-degree murder," Kamatchus said.

Tecklenburg's devotion to the oath he took before joining will be missed the most, Kamatchus said.

"I know of no one who is more dedicated to his oath than Burt," Kamatchus said. "He understands that when you take this job and you raise your hand and swear before God to do your best, he's never looked back on that oath."

Steve Hoffman, chief jailer at the Marshall County Sheriff's Office, has worked with Tecklenburg for 23 years.

"I got to see first hand what a tenacious investigator he is," Hoffman said. "He's got a legendary memory. He's an encyclopedia of people and names and places. He's an incredible investigator and beyond that he's the most genuine, down to earth person you could ever meet in your life. He will be missed."

Tecklenburg's last day is July 31. Hoffman will be taking his role as chief deputy.

"I have a lot of loyalty to my current division," Hoffman said. "I'm excited about the opportunities and as much as I'm in my comfort zone with jail operations right now I'm also excited to be back to field services where I originally started. The shoes of Burt Tecklenburg are huge to fill."

Sgt. Joel Phillips, with the Mid-Iowa Task Force, will take Hoffman's job as chief jailer.

(A retirement party was planned for Tecklenburg Aug. 22 at the Stadium Lounge, 9 E. Southridge Rd, food with beverages provided).

It all started with a small newspaper clipping Delayed Honor for Special Deputy Claude B. Dail

By Cpl. Jason W. LeMaster

Pottawattamie County Sheriff's Office

Yellowed with age and somehow, remarkably, not lost in the hustle and bustle of life, a small article written in 1932 provided a window to the past and the history of the revolving Squirrel Cage Jail in Council Bluffs, Iowa, and a part of history that should have been honored.

In 1932, "The Farmers Holiday Strike" was in full swing in the Midwest. Farmers rallied together to declare themselves a farmers holiday.

The Farmers' Holiday Association was organized in 1932 by farmers in response to the perception that low market prices prevented them from meeting mortgage and tax payments, forcing them to give up their homes and farms. Members of the Association, primarily Midwestern farmers, voted in goods until such time as parity was guaranteed and some form of relief provided for mortgage payments and taxes. Not only did farmers withhold produce, they picketed highways in an effort to stop other goods from reaching markets, intimidated prospective buyers at foreclosure and sheriff's sales, and exerted pressure on courts and legislatures to adopt what they believed to be appropriate measures.

Responding to these measures, authorities employed sheriffs, militia, and vigilante groups to control or prevent strike activities and ensure the continued transport of farm produce as well as the orderly disposal of farm property.

As the main attention of the strike went south to Council Bluffs, the forces of the government quickly brought matters to a head. On Wednesday, August 24, Sheriff P.A. Lainson decided to act and picketers were arrested and housed in the Squirrel Cage Jail.

Sheriff Lainson correctly analyzed the situation. Fearing a mass attack on the Council Bluffs jail, where a total of 66 farmers were held, he threw a machine-gun barricade around the structure and brought in most of his deputies to resist any effort to deliver the prisoners. Three men with submachine guns were posted at points of vantage. Deputies watched all avenues of approach, and the city of Council Bluffs furnished its entire arsenal to arm the guards.



Sheriff P.A. Lainson directing arrested parties into the Squirrel Cage Jail.

Sheriff Lainson said the guns were there to "kill people if we must."



Rioters and arrested parties outside of the Squirrel Cage Jail in 1932.

And now back to this little newspaper article.

Early in 2013, while speaking with Ed Ritchie & Carla Borgaila, with the Historical Society of Pottawattamie County, I was asked if I had ever heard of a deputy being shot and killed inside the Squirrel Cage Jail. As far as I knew, the Pottawattamie County Sheriff's Office has only recorded two deaths.

• In 1911, Deputy Clarence Woolman

was shot and killed by Dr. H. D. Kelly while transporting the prisoner to the Inobriate Hospital in Knoxville, Iowa. Dr. Kelly was found not guilty by reason of insanity and sent to a mental hospital. On January 9, 1915, he was declared sane and released.

• In 1981, Chief Deputy Duane Otto was fatally injured when a roof of a porch fell on him as deputies were entering a home of a man who was threatening to kill his wife and threatening suicide.

So, of course this information was new to me and to the Sheriff's Office. I was then able to get a copy of this newspaper article and start researching anything and everything that I could find. Since the original article was from 1932, my research capabilities were limited.

However, what I was able to find was remarkable. I learned all about The Farmer's Holiday Strike. I also learned that with the increased threat of violence in the area, Sheriff Lainson needed good, brave men. As new deputies were sworn in to serve the citizens of Pottawattamie County, he also swore in several special deputies to help guard against any revolt against the jail. In Council Bluffs in 1932, there was no shortage of good, brave men. Sheriff Lainson found several citizens who were veterans of the war who were well trained and willing to stand on the side of the law.

On August 22, 1932, Claude B. Dail and Joe Ludwig were sworn in by Sheriff Lainson as special deputies.

On August 25, 1932, Deputy Sheriff Ora Kinsell was demonstrating the use of a "riot gun" inside the jail when the weapon accidentally discharged, striking both Special Deputy Dail and Special Deputy Ludwig. Both men were transported to Mercy Hospital in Council Bluffs and tended to by Dr. H.D. Kelly. (Yes, that's right; the same Dr. Kelly who shot and killed Deputy Woolman in 1911).

Special Deputy Dail was struck in the abdomen and died of his wounds. Special Deputy Ludwig was struck in the leg and survived.



Placement of plaque in memory of Claude Dail.

The Iowa State Sheriffs' and Deputies' Association Booth at the Iowa State Fair 2014



Photos taken by Hardin County Sheriff's Office Jail Administrator Nick Whitmore.



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Lucas County Sheriff's Office Hires Naomi Vander Vort, MaLinda Travis

The Lucas County Sheriff's Office has hired Naomi Vander Vort (near right) as a full-time Telecommunicator/ Correctional Officer. Vander Vort started her employment on August 1, 2014. Also new to the Sheriff's Office is MaLinda Travis (far right). Travis started her employment as Office Assistant on August 26, 2014. The Sheriff's Office welcomes both women to their staff.





Noami Vander Vort



MaLinda Travis

Lee County Hires Christopher Sawyer as Deputy Sheriff

The Lee County Sheriff's Office announces the hiring of Deputy Christopher Sawyer, who joined our Office on August 13, 2014.

Deputy Sawyer had the opportunity to follow in his grandfather's footsteps, becoming a peace officer with the Fort Madison Police Department in 2009.

Deputy Sawyer was born and raised in

Burlington, Iowa where he met, and later married, his high school sweetheart, Cindy. They have two children, Hannah and Mollie.

Deputy Sawyer is family oriented and makes an effort to include family in his hobbies. He enjoys physical exercise at the gym at least five days per week, the exception being shotgun season for deer.





The Iowa State Sheriffs' and Deputies' Association and The Iowa Sheriffs' Association Presidents' Honor Roll

Iowa Sheriffs' Association 1929 Sheriff R. W. Nebergall, Story 1930 Sheriff R. F. Gregson, Monroe 1931 Sheriff H. T. Wagner, BlackHawk 1932 Sheriff F. D. Martin, Scott 1933 Sheriff Hugo Synhorst, Sioux 1934 Sheriff Foss Davis, Greene 1935 Sheriff Frank Burchiet, Carroll 1936 Sheriff C. A. Knee, Dallas 1937 Sheriff C. E. Wicklund, Marshall 1938 Sheriff Roy E. Wilson, Wright 1939 Sheriff F. B. Nesper, Muscatine 1940 Sheriff F. L. Wilkins, Boone 1941 Sheriff Walter Buse, Scott 1942 Sheriff G. C. Murray, Chickasaw 1943 Sheriff James H. Smith, Linn 1944 Sheriff Fred Erichson, Emmet 1945 Sheriff James H. Smith, Linn 1946 Sheriff B. F. Atherton, Cerro Gordo 1947 Sheriff Evan A. Burger, Dallas 1948 Sheriff Milford Englebert, Iowa 1949 Sheriff Harry Jordan, Jones 1950 Sheriff E. R. Lear, Hamilton 1951 Sheriff William L. Davis, Green 1952 Sheriff Loren C. Feldman, Jackson 1953 Sheriff Paul E. Hodgson, Hardin 1954 Sheriff N. P. Cavett, Crawford 1955 Sheriff H. T. Wagner, BlackHawk 1956 Sheriff Marvin Bruhn, Clinton 1957 Sheriff Fred W. Tonne, Lyon

1958 Sheriff William Welsh, Poweshiek 1959 Sheriff Charlie Anson, Muscatine 1960 Sheriff Ivan Shalley, Story 1961 Sheriff William Spurrier, Iowa 1962 Sheriff Wilbur Hildreth, Polk 1963 Sheriff R. O. Miller, Palo Alto 1964 Sheriff William Welsh, Poweshiek 1965 Sheriff Elmer Hightower, Black Hawk 1966 Sheriff Chet McCune, Montgomery 1967 Sheriff Russell K. Vantuyl, Henry 1968 Sheriff Don Barel, Buena Vista 1969 Sheriff Maynard Schneider, Johnson 1970 Sheriff Walter "Tiny" Grant, Linn 1971 Sheriff Jerry Allen, Cerro Gordo 1972 Sheriff Ray McCoy, Webster 1973 Sheriff William Mathews, Warren 1974 Sheriff John Wright, Dallas Iowa State Sheriffs' and **Deputies' Association** 1975 Sheriff John Stark, Story 1976 Sheriff Dennis Carr, Monroe 1977 Sheriff Dennis Carr, Monroe 1978 Sheriff Donald Vold, Winnebago 1979 Sheriff Bob Carpenter, Johnson 1980 Sheriff Marvin Andersen, Humboldt 1981 Chief Deputy Duane Otto, Pottawattamie 1981 Sheriff Marvin Andersen, Humboldt 1982 Sheriff Dick Harrell, Montgomery 1983 Chief Deputy Mike Williams, Page 1984 Sheriff John Longnecker, Carroll

1985 Chief Deputy John Evans, Story 1986 Sheriff Bill Havenhill, Louisa 1987 Chief Deputy Wayne Boots, Black Hawk 1988 Sheriff Bob E. Rice, Polk 1989 Sergeant Evelyn Covington, Linn 1990 Sheriff Yale Jarvis, Washington 1991 Lt. Larry Brown, Pottawattamie 1992 Sheriff James Kurth, Greene 1993 Deputy Joann McBride, Tama 1994 Sheriff Jim Lee, Warren 1995 Chief Deputy Kenneth Runde, Dubuque 1996 Sheriff Marvin E. Van Haaften, Marion 1997 Chief Deputy Bill L. Sage, Cass 1998 Sheriff Tim Junker, Butler 1999 Chief Deputy Gary Anderson, Appanoose 2000 Sheriff Ted Kamatchus, Marshall 2001 Chief Deputy Doug Strike, Chickasaw 2002 Lt. Sam Herkelman, Black Hawk 2003 Sheriff Chuck Eddy, Buena Vista 2004 Deputy Tim Cox, Marion 2005 Sheriff Jeff Danker, Pottawattamie 2006 Deputy Chris Hinds, Dallas 2007 Sheriff Randy Krukow, Clay 2008 Chief Deputy Craig Bartolozzi, Plymouth 2009 Sheriff Curt Braby, Louisa 2010 Deputy Brian Vos, Warren 2011 Sheriff Dewey Hildebrandt, Bremer 2012 Chief Deputy Don Orgel, Hardin 2013 Sheriff Jerry Dunbar, Washington

2014 Deputy Don DeKock, Mahaska

Pottawattamie County L.E. Agencies Selling Law Enforcement Cancer Awareness T-shirts

By Cpl. Jason LeMaster Pottawattamie County Sheriff's Office

Purchase your 2014 Pottawattamie County Law Enforcement cancer awareness tee shirts now at the Pottawattamie County Sheriff's Office and the Council Bluffs Police Department.

The law enforcement cancer tee shirts concept started in September 2011, when an idea was brought to Pottawattamie County Sheriff Jefferey Danker to help promote Cancer Awareness by creating and selling a law enforcement version of the popular pink cancer awareness shirt. With his approval, a design was created to include local area law enforcement.

The law enforcement version of the shirt depicted a patrol car and SUV surrounded by Law Enforcement patches representing the Avoca Police Department, Carter Lake Police Department, Council Bluffs Police Department, and Pottawattamie County Sheriff's Office. Of course, the shirt wouldn't have been an awareness shirt without the well-known pink ribbon and the slogan, "Law Enforcement – Care enough to wear pink."

From its original concept, these shirts were designed to promote all cancer awareness with money raised being donated to the Alegent Health Oncology Center at Mercy Hospital in Council Bluffs. The success of this program wouldn't have been possible without the support of each perspective chief of each police department, Sheriff Danker, and the Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisors.

The local Law Enforcement Community hopes to continue our fundraising efforts and raising awareness for cancer research. The 2014 edition of the "Law Enforcement - Cancer Awareness" tee shirt is currently available.

This year's design features a lavender ribbon to bring awareness to All cancers!

