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THANK YOU

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has been part of my life during my 38 plus years on our Department. It was great and humbling to see everyone who was able to attend the retirement party on July 30th. But even more so, it was an honor and a privilege to work side by side with each and every one of you throughout my career. I have always thought and would tell anyone who would listen, that the men and women of the St. Louis County Police Department are truly unique and are the reason that our Department is second to none. We are a family in the true sense of the word. Some have been lost in the line of duty and some have left us because of illness. Many, like me, retire after a full, rewarding career. But the family survives and I cannot think of a better group of people to be associated with. I want to thank you for your continued dedication to the citizens of St. Louis County and wish you safety and success in your careers.

Chief Jerry Lee - Retired

WELL DONE



On Monday, June 22, 2009, Officers **Mathew Burns, Timothy Harris and Robert Lunatto**, North County Precinct, responded to a report of shots fired. A caller stated that she heard 12 shots near her neighbor's house. The

officers contacted the resident at the home and a 30 year old man stated he just got home from the City of St. Louis and he heard the shots also. The officers asked the subject his name at which time he ran out of the house. The officers chased him on foot and caught him nearby. A record check revealed that the suspect was wanted for Robbery in the First Degree and as a parole absconder.

On Wednesday, June 24, 2009, Officers **Joseph Patterson, Michael Weston, Matthew Taylor, Donald Jacquin**, Affton Southwest Precinct and **Brian McCauley**, Police Canine Unit, responded to an attempted burglary. The witness advised that two subjects were trying to force their way into a neighbor's house. Officer McCauley saw the suspects walking nearby and stopped them. One of the suspects surrendered while the other fled on foot carrying a large duffel bag. The other officers responded and apprehended the suspect and recovered the bag. Items within the bag included valuables from two burglaries and burglary tools.

On Tuesday, June 30, 2009, Officers **Dominick Misuraca, Kevin Trott and Jason Steinmetz**, Central County Precinct, responded to a burglary in progress where a 12 year old girl scared an intruder who was climbing into her bedroom window. While doing a canvass, Officer Trott saw a suspect matching the burglar's description running between apartment buildings. Officer **David Steinmeyer**, with the assistance of a Bel-Nor police officer, detained the suspect until the victim and another witness identified the individual as the intruder. The suspect's cell phone had a text message to his girlfriend saying that he "messed" up and the police were after him.

On Thursday, July 23, 2009, Officer **Samuel Jarvis**, South County Precinct, received a call of a disturbance at a liquor store. Once there, he saw two adult males on the ground fighting for the control of a handgun. The subjects refused to stop fighting and nearby citizens were in the line of fire. Officer Jarvis stood on the wrists of both men and took control of the weapon. Both suspects were ordered to remain lying on the ground and they complied. The men both advised that they were arguing over money. The man who brought the weapon did not have a carry conceal permit and was charged with Assault Third and Unlawful Use of a Weapon. The other subject was charged with Assault Third.

On Saturday, July 25, 2009, at 9:00 AM, Officer **Kyle Jahns**, City of Fenton Precinct, was approached by a man at a convenience store who stated that he was wanted for homicide and had just called 911 to turn himself in. Officer Jahns took the individual into custody and put handcuffs on him as he received the call to respond to the location for a suspect wanted out of Virginia for murder who is considered armed and dangerous.

PROMOTIONS



Effective Saturday, July 25, 2009, Deputy Director **Michael Smiley**, Office of Emergency Management, was promoted to the position of Director.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Recently, Information Systems Designer/GIS Programmer **Brett Lord-Castillo**, Office of Emergency Management, recently had a paper in "Transactions in GIS" published as well as an online presentation as part of the ESRI International User Conference.

RETIREMENT

On Friday, July 24, 2009, Captain **Robert Young**, Office of Emergency Management, retired after 40 years of service.



On Saturday, August 1, 2009, Major **Robert Trittler**, Commanding Officer, Division of Special

Operations, retired after 36 years of service; Major **Ted Hylla**, Director of the St. Louis County and Municipal Police Academy, retired after 32 years of service and Mr. **John Raines**, Arson and Explosives Unit, retired after 22 years of service.

WELCOME ABOARD



On Monday, July 27, 2009, **Pamala Muenzer** started as a police report clerk in the Bureau of Central Police Records.

3-DIGIT DSN PARTY

The annual 3-digit DSN party will be held on Thursday, September 10th, at Cousin Hugo's, 3233 Laclede Station Road beginning at 4:00 PM. It's a great time – come by to see some old friends and have some refreshments!

SPECIAL OLYMPICS EVENT

On Friday, October 2nd, the St. Louis Area Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics will be hosting an event giving you the chance for a once-in-a-lifetime thrill of rappelling off the 19 story (400 foot) Lumiere Casino Hotel. The only requirements to participate in this event are to raise \$1,000 for Special Olympics, be at least 18 years old and weigh less than 300 pounds.

To register to go Over the Edge or to donate money and support one of the other participants go to www.somo.org/edgestl. The rappel itself is run by all certified personnel. If you want more information about this event or if you have any problems navigating the web site call Sergeant **Mark Koeller**, MetroLink Unit at 314-486-4755.

GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Third Annual AFS Charity Golf Tournament to benefit the St. Louis Metro Airborne Law Enforcement Foundation will be held on Saturday, August 29, 2009. The 18 hole four person scramble will start at 11:00 AM at the Falls at Turtle Creek located in O'Fallon, Missouri. The cost is \$85 per person or \$340 per team and includes golf, prizes, beverages, lunch and dinner. Contact Bob Bass before August 14th at 636-300-5214 to register.

SAVE THE DATE



A bowling fundraiser to benefit the St. Louis County Police Welfare Association is scheduled on Saturday, October 10, 2009, at 3:00 PM at the Olivette Bowling Lanes. The event will be called, "Strike in the Name of the Law", and will include bowling, games and raffles. Details will follow soon.

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No items were submitted for this issue.