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**JUNE 2023 SHERIFFS, LAW ENFORCEMENT & MEMBERS NEWS**



**WAYNE COUNTY SHERIFFS VEHICLE**



**2023 Illinois Legislative Session Wrap Up - Springfield, IL**

**From the Desk of ISA Executive Director - Jim Kaitschuk**

We have just completed the 2023 Spring Legislative Session and it certainly has been full of ups and downs. Many have seen our

*Below is a list of some of the bills that have made it to the finish line this year:*

**Bills Passed Both Chambers:**

**HB 1540-Lilly/Morrison**-includes e-cigs as being prohibited from public places-**OPPOSE**

winter newsletter where we shared the record number of bills introduced this year. There have been over 6,600 bills introduced this year and yes, we must go through them all to determine the impact they may have not only on the Sheriff's Office, but on the community and citizens they serve.

Of those 6,600 introduced bills, the ISA ultimately tracked 913 of them. Thankfully, we did not take positions on all those bills, but we certainly did weigh in on those that we could support and those that we opposed. The ISA reviews legislation under the lens of areas/programs to prevent and deter crime; treatment and assistance for those that may be involved in the criminal justice system or could be, appropriate penalties for those that commit crimes; and protect the rights of the citizens of our State. We consistently work to strike a balance in all these areas in an effort to promote the best policy for all of us.

Unfortunately, a number of the bills that were introduced didn't strike that balance, in our opinion. We shared our perspective through testimony in committee hearings and with members of the General Assembly with a goal to either not have that bill move forward or to make modifications to it that met those goals. The ISA is extremely active in the committee process and serves to be the voice of law enforcement in these hearings. As you hopefully are aware, we regularly share "Bills of the Day" on our Facebook page for our followers to be informed. If you haven't seen those posts, please look for them during the next legislative session.

***As always, thank you for your continued support. This organization would not be able to accomplish our goals without all of you!***

**HB 1727-Jacobs/Fowler**-Purchase vehicles without bid after wreck-**Support**

**HB 2100 Douglass/Cappel**-clarifies elder and financial exploitation-**Support**

**HB 2389-Ford/Belt**-windshield obstructed view not primary pc for stop-**OPPOSE**

**HB 2418-Keicher/Hariss**-allows for expungement if offense proximately caused by trafficking-**Neutral**

**HB 3026-Cassidy/Peters**-credit after sentencing-**Support**

**HB 3140-Ness/Sims**-prohibits solitary for under 18-**Neutral as Amended**

**HB 3203-McCombie/Turner**-Fentanyl test strips over the counter-**Support**

**HB 3322-Slaughter/Sims**-Requires agencies that use database must have policy-**Neutral as Amended**

**HB 3755-Hanson/Holmes**-re-entry program with Sheriff-**Support**

**SB 1987-Morrison/Vella**-scheduling controlled substances-**Support**

**SB 2340-Turner/Yang Rohr**-allows school bus to have extended arm-**Support**



## Checking in with a few of Your Sheriffs!





Its Lemonade Stand Season! Someone was driving by and caught pictures of Dekalb County Deputy Pett patronizing this young entrepreneur in Sycamore and enjoying a cup of ice-cold lemonade.



Last week we welcomed Sheriff Trent to the Kendall County Sheriff's Office. He was sworn in after his family won a raffle at a local community event for him to be the Sheriff for the Day. We had a full day of fun activities lined up for him when he arrived at the office. Check back in to see what else Sheriff Trent was up to during his time as the Sheriff for the Day!



[WATCH VIDEO](#)



On June 7, 2023, Deputy Luke Durre and Deputy Trevin were honored at a ceremony at the Clay Courthouse for administering life saving techniques on March 13, 2023.

The deputies received the following awards, Life Saving Citation from Sheriff Andy Myers and the Clay County Sheriff's Office Life Saving Award from Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Meritorious Service Award from Illinois House of Representatives and Representative Blaine Wilhour.

On March 13, 2023, at approximately 4:32



Lake County Sheriff's Office - **GOOD BOY, DANNO!** Last night K9 Danno responded to a home in unincorporated Waukegan for a missing

juvenile, who ran away on foot after an argument with her parents. Her parents were very concerned about the juvenile's well-being. K9 Danno tracked the girl for several blocks and located her hiding in a forested area. She was safely returned home to her family.

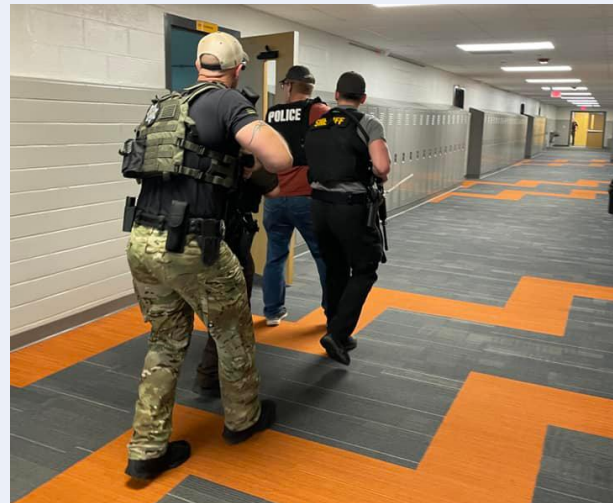
p.m. Deputy Luke Durre was on routine patrol in the area of North State Rd and Hardy Hills Rd. Deputy Durre observed a gold Chevrolet Impala stuck in the ditch on the south side of the road facing west. When Deputy Durre approached the car, he noticed that there was smoke coming from the car which was still running, and the driver (78-year-old male) was still pushing on the accelerator causing the motor to rev at high R.P.M.'s. Deputy Durre was able to get the car in park and shut off.

The vehicle was filling up with smoke and was in a position where the driver's car door was pinned against the ground and would only open a few inches. The passenger door was blocked from personal belongings that the driver had in the vehicle. A short time later flames began to emerge from underneath the vehicle. Deputy Durre attempted to pull the driver out thru the driver's window but was unable to, due the driver's physical condition. Deputy Durre was able to pry the door open with assistance from Deputy Trevin Smith and North Clay Fireman Weston Kemmerer and lift the driver up out the vehicle and carry him to safety.

North Clay Fire responded to the scene and extinguished the vehicle. The driver of vehicle was transported to nearby hospital for treatment. "I am proud of Deputy Durre's quick response to this situation and the assistance provided by Deputy Trevin Smith and Firefighter Weston Kemmerer. Their actions and direct intervention were instrumental in saving and preserving the driver's life."  
**Sheriff Andy Myers**



Today the Ogle County Sheriff's Office participated in the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics of Illinois. A huge thank you to the Village of Progress, and the Byron Special Olympics participants for cheering us on, as well as the members of the Sheriff's Office, State's Attorney's Office, and their families who came out for this special event.



The Richland County Sheriff's Office along with The Olney Police Department and Illinois Department of Corrections conducted active shooter

training today at The Richland County High School.

Deputies and Officers worked through several different scenarios followed by discussion of the scenarios after they were worked through.

A good day of training! Thanks to all that was able to make it and participate!





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## Summer is Officially Here!



### Summer Safety Tips

Learn how to have fun and stay safe as you enjoy the great outdoors this summer.

## Chicago to Oklahoma City: 8-Day Road Trip Inspired by AAA Route 66 Road Fest - Summer Article by AAA Travel Editors

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What's your plan for this summer? Enjoying the water? Going camping? Firing up the grill? Whatever you prefer, we have safety steps to follow. And don't forget your furry friends. There are steps you can take to help keep them safe too.



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**GET TO KNOW  
YOUR SHERIFF**  
**Menard County**



*Elected as  
Sheriff 2018*  
**24 Years in  
Law Enforcement**



**Population  
Menard  
County  
12,164**

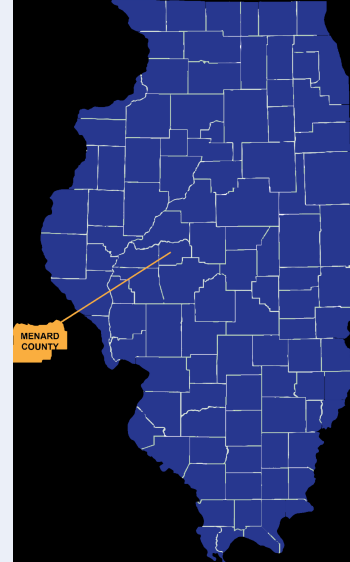


**Average  
Household  
Income  
\$79,743**





**MENARD COUNTY  
SHERIFF MARK OLLER**



**01**

**What first made you get involved with law enforcement?**

I saw my first traffic stop at night when I was 9 years old and loved it ever since. After idolizing the profession, it just clicked.

**02**

**What is your biggest strength?**

Good relations with family, friends, and constituents.

**03**

**What is the best thing to happen to you because of your community or career in service?**

The feeling I get when I'm able to help someone in distress.

**04**

**Tell us about someone or something that has influenced you?**

The Athens Police Chief, when I was a young teen, let me ride along with him while he was on patrol. I was living on cloud nine during this time.

**05**

**Tell us about yourself and your family:**

My wife Amanda and I graduated from Athens High School. We married in 2004 and have three children, Andrew, 24, (stepson); Quentin, 19, son; and Emilee, 15, daughter. We live in Athens in Menard County and our kids attend the same school that Amanda and I attended.

**07**

**What changes would you like to see in your community in the next 10 years, and how can they be brought to fruition?**

I would like to see more community involvement by young people. I think this would help people have more respect for themselves and others.

**08**

**What do you consider the biggest challenge in your community?**

People moving out of the state, instead of raising families here.

**09**

**Describe what drives you to get involved within your community?**

I have always had the drive to help people. I like working for the community that I grew up in.

06

**Describe what you do professionally, as well as your roles in your Community:**

Sheriff of Menard County since 2018. Began law enforcement career in 1999, a year out of high school. I was a volunteer fire fighter for the Athens Fire Department for approximately 10 years. Active member in Knights of Columbus.







## SHERIFF OLLER FUN FACTS:



**IF YOU WEREN'T DOING WHAT YOU DO NOW, WHAT WOULD BE YOUR DREAM JOB?**

Something to do with farming.



**WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN YOU AREN'T WORKING OR VOLUNTEERING?**

Spend time with family and friends on the lake or river, while we are boating. I also like to ride my Harley Davidson motorcycle.



**WHAT MIGHT SOMEONE BE SURPRISED TO KNOW ABOUT YOU?**

From time to time, I catch myself daydreaming about back when I played high school basketball.



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The Office of Sheriff is the longest continuously existing non-military law enforcement entity in history, that dates back to

**SHIRE:** geographic jurisdiction

SHIRE + REEVE = SHERIFF

**REEVE:** guardian

Book of Dooms (Judgments)

King Alfred 890

**Responsibilities of Reeves:**



- Tax collection
- Mediating disputes
- Posse comitatus

### NORMAN CONQUEST

1066 – William of Normandy invaded England, which was under rule of King Harold. He was so impressed with the position of Sheriff that he retained the office.

### ASSIZE OF CLAREDON

1166 – King Henry II further outlined the duties of Sheriff as well as established the right to trial & presentment to Grand Juries

SOURCE: "Roots - A History of the Office of Sheriff" - Retired Sheriff Roger Scott, Dekalb County, IL



### Duties of Sheriff Included:

- Representing the King
- Tax collection
- Apprehending criminals
- Assisting other Sheriffs
- Maintaining list of wanted persons
- Operating jails
- Executions
- Entertaining royalty
- Serving as officer of the court

### Magna Carta

1215 – Limited the authority of the King... & consequently the Sheriffs. It contained 63 clauses, 27 of which related directly to responsibilities of the Sheriff.

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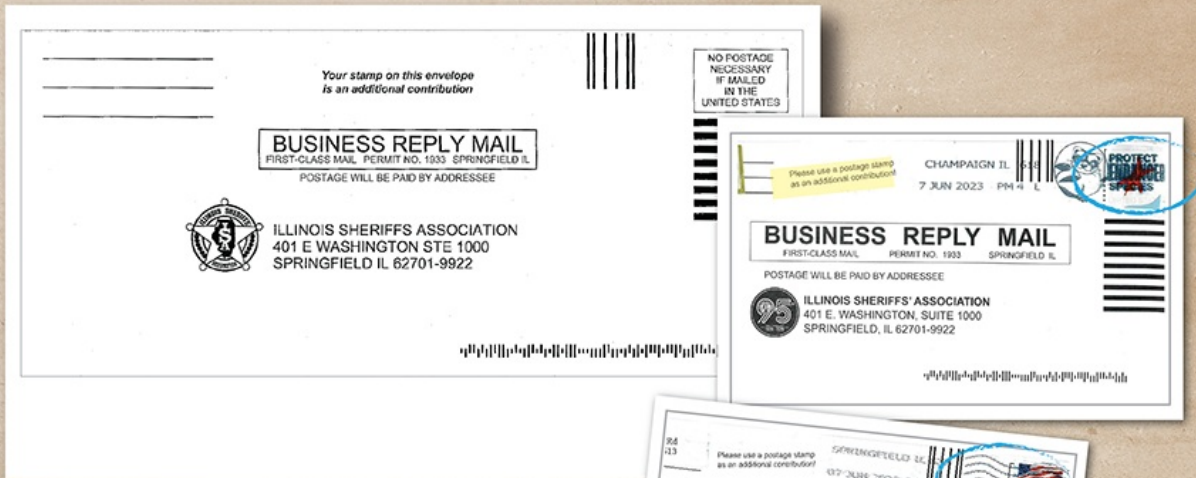
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June Member Winners are  
**Edna from Charleston, IL and  
Steven from Blue Mound, IL**

Thanks so much for taking that extra time  
to place a stamp on your return envelope!

## 2023 ISA Conference and Training Dates

### ISA PRESENTS - Law Enforcement Continued Education Opportunities

Together, the Illinois Sheriffs' Association is making progress in the right direction by providing our Peace Officers with the resources they need.

**Civil Process Training**  
August 10th - in East Peoria

**Jail Medical Summit**  
August 23 & 24th - 2-Days this  
Year! in East Peoria

**Sheriffs Summer Training  
Conference,**  
September 16-19, 2023,  
in East Peoria

**Administrative Assistants  
Conference,**  
October 26-27, 2023,  
in East Peoria

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