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



**IROQUOIS COUNTY SHERIFFS CRUISER**

**It's Back to School Time!  
 Let's be Smart about it  
 and play it SAFE!!**

Kids in school buses, children on foot and bikes, harried parents in cars: Back-to-school days bring congestion—and an increase in potential hazards.

**DRIVING IN THE SCHOOL ZONE:**

- Slow down and drive extra cautiously.
- Don't load or unload children across the street from the school.
- Don't double park; it blocks visibility for other children and vehicles.
- When flashers are blinking, stop and yield to pedestrians crossing the crosswalk or intersection.
- Be prepared for kids to appear in unexpected places, like from between parked cars; if they're on bikes, prepare for them to turn in front of you without looking or signaling.
- If you need to use your phone, be sure you're pulled over safely.
- Watch for kids walking while looking at their phones.
- If possible, carpool to reduce the number of cars at school.
- Don't ever block a crosswalk; it forces pedestrians to go around you

5 Back-to-School Safety Tips for Drivers

<p><b>Limit Distractions</b></p>	<p><b>Be Aware of School Zones</b></p>
<p><b>Understand School Bus Signs</b></p>	<p><b>Prepare to Encounter Student Drivers</b></p>
<p><b>Use Highways and Interstates Instead of Residential Roads</b></p>	

**BACK-TO-SCHOOL SAFETY TIPS FOR CHILDREN:**

**Staying Safe When Taking the Bus to School -**

- Take your time and pay attention every time you get on and off the bus. If a hand railing is available, use it.
- Always wait for the bus at the spot where it arrives. And wait until the bus is completely stopped—with its stop arm extended—before you approach to board or stand to exit.
- If seat belts are available, buckle

and could put them in the path of moving traffic.



- up.
- Never cross in front of the bus. If you must, walk at least 10 feet in front of it and make sure any drivers can see you. Make eye contact and wait for them to wave you on before crossing.

### Walking to School Safely -

- Don't walk to school with headphones in your ears or while looking at your phone.
- Walk on the sidewalk; if there's no sidewalk and you must walk in the street, walk facing traffic.
- Before crossing the street, stop and look left, right and left again to see if cars are coming.
- Always cross the street at crosswalks. If no crosswalk is available, cross at intersections, never in the middle.
- Remember that there's safety—and visibility—in numbers. Whenever possible, walk in groups rather than alone.
- If a stranger should approach you, and offers you a ride home, don't answer—run away. Head into a store or restaurant if you're not near a safe spot like your school. And if you feel like you're in danger, yell for help.

## Checking in with a few of Your Sheriffs!



### Marshall County Sheriff's Office says...

We may not have a bridge to run over this year- but come support your Marshall Co to Peoria St Jude Runs Saturday, August 5th at the courthouse lawn at approx 7:30am! (Runners will be coming from Henry on 26)



The 2023 Marshall County to Peoria St. Jude Runners are off! Please use extreme caution when approaching and passing run groups.



### Clark County Sheriff's Office -

The Sheriff's Office assisted the **Martinsville Fire Protection District** and the **Clark County Ambulance** south of

Casey with with locating and getting a person that was injured in a logging incident out of the woods. The individual was transported by **ARCH Air Medical Service-Effingham, IL Base** for medical treatment. Special thanks to Stutesman Wrecker Service, Brian Stutesman for assistance with side by sides.



Champaign County Sheriff's Office participates in the 2023 Illinois Special Olympics Torch Run.



**Putnam County Sheriff's Office** - Use caution with Backpacks and Back to School Signs. Avoid giving out personal information. It would be easy for a



stranger to approach your child, list their personal details, and claim they know their parents, when it is not true.

### Back to School Tip:



If someone calls your child by name, she may not see that person as a stranger. Never put your child's name on a visible area of her backpack or clothing.



**Cass County Sheriff's Office** There has been and will continue to be a pumpkin harvest going on in Cass County. Just weeks away

the more traditional harvest will continue. Please use caution when traveling the country roads and be on the lookout for farm equipment.

Fun fact: our very own State's Attorney Craig Miller grew up in Morton, Illinois. Morton holds its claim as the pumpkin capital of the world. Well guess what Craig? Many of those prized pumpkins come from right here in Cass County.

**#ruralamericaproud**

#farmingcommunitiesarethebestcommunities  
#ifyouhaveanypumpkinapparelyouwanttogetridofpleasedropoffatstatesattorneyoffice



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**WE RUN BLUE 5K & WALK**  
Rochester Community Park



**FRI OCT 20 -**  
Early Packet Pickup  
4pm - 6pm at  
Rochester Library

**SAT OCT 21 -** Race Day 7:30am Packet Pickup  
8:30 am Run/Walk Steps Off, Awards 9:50am

### Why Participate?

#### #milesinhonor

- Run/Walk in Memory of Someone
- Run/Walk in Honor of Your Blue Line Hero
- Run/Walk to Back the Blue!
- Run/Walk for Your Favorite K-9 & Handler
- Run/Walk to Support the Illinois Sheriffs' Association Mission

Rochester Fall Festival!  
#sheriffsK-9KidsKomer  
Come for the Race!...stay  
for the FUN 10am - 3pm



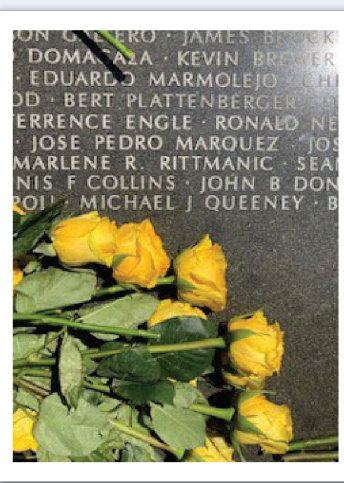
## Celebrate Our Heroes!

#yourparticipationmatters

Nothing is more powerful than **YOU**, joining hundreds of others in the same mission from the heart!

Illinois Sheriffs, Deputies, Correctional Officers, and Telecommunicators support and protect us EVERY DAY! ...365 days a year. These officers are mothers, fathers, brothers, sisters, sons and daughters. They face conditions that none of us envy!

Let's make sure we stand behind them and sign up to participate!



## Who Will You Run/Walk For?

[ilsheriff.org/we-run-blue-5k/](http://ilsheriff.org/we-run-blue-5k/)

## Get to Know... Jersey County Sheriff Nick Manns



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**YOUR SHERIFF**  
Jersey County



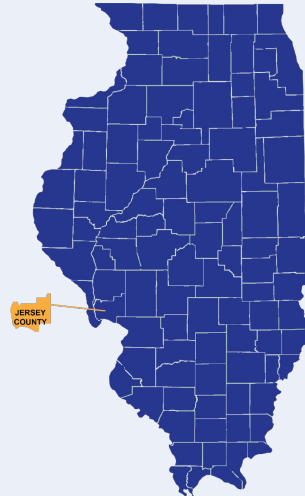
**Elected as Sheriff 2022**  
**32 Years in Law Enforcement**



**Population Jersey County**  
**21,533**



**Average Household Income**  
**\$67,845**



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

I went to college thinking I wanted to be a prosecutor. After graduating undergrad, I decided to work for a few years to save enough money to pay for law school. I started in federal law enforcement and realized it was my calling, so I never left.

**02** **What is your favorite part about being Jersey County Sheriff?**

I am brand new so it's a little early to tell. Right now, I enjoy engaging our Community in a different way and bringing new ideas to our Sheriff's Office.

**06** **Describe what drives you to get involved within your community:**

The community itself drives me to serve and protect them. I grew up in Jersey County and its people helped raise me. I enjoy returning the favor.

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

Drug use and abuse is by far the biggest issue in Jersey County. It drives most of our crime problems and devastates so many families in our community.

**08** **What advice would you give young people?**

Hard work is the key to success in anything you choose to do in life.

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

This profession has provided a comfortable, secure, purposeful, and fascinating life to my family and me. We have been blessed to live in and experience many communities around our Country. That life opened our eyes and minds in many ways and led both of my children to public service.



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

I am at the age where I can no longer pick one influence in my life because I have truly been influenced by so many people in this career. Of course, my wife, parents, in-laws, and family. But beyond that, I have been influenced by so many law enforcement professionals, citizens, experiences, etc. that I cannot single out any one thing.



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**How do you think someone meeting you for the first time would describe you?**

I am hopeful they would describe me as sincere and open minded.





# SHERIFF MANN'S FUN FACTS:



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

Retirement and Cabinet Building.



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

Try to spend quality time with my family.



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

I am a big history buff.



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SHERIFF DUSTIN HEUERMAN  
& WATSON FARMS



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we stand behind them!*



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**Congratulations to Daniela from Ava, IL and Juan from Galesburg, IL on winning our drawing for a special gift!  
See more below:**

Continue to support the Sheriffs of Illinois when you do the simple act of placing a stamp on your envelope. It saves the ISA thousands in postage fees each month and allows us to do MORE with your donations!



August Member Winners are Daniela from Ava, IL and Juan from Galesburg, 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.

**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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