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“85 YEARS OF SERVICE & PROTECTION”



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Superintendent's Message



Colonel Sandra K. Karsten

On February 1, 2017, I was honored to have been selected by Governor Eric Greitens as the next superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol. Since Gov. Greitens' announcement, I have received an overwhelming amount of support both for myself and for the agency.

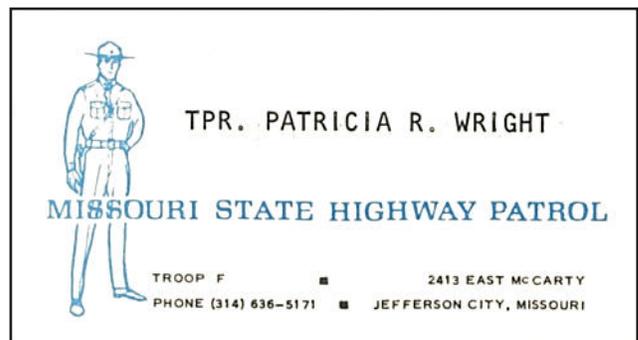
I've heard from a variety of people throughout our state and the nation. Each with a message of congratulations along with their firm support of the Patrol's mission of service and protection. Each of the former colonels reached out to me as did Patricia Wright and Bridgett Hug, our first female troopers. Pat sent a card along with a copy of her business card from the '70s with the silhouette of a male trooper along the left side and her name typed on the front ... a piece of history from someone I've long respected.

There were several calls that surprised me, like the man I arrested for driving while revoked on more than one occasion. I was assigned to work in the area he traveled and arrested him as our paths crossed. His phone call was to congratulate me and tell me that he was happy to see my success, because I had been professional and shown him respect each time I arrested him.

I hung up the phone after our conversation thinking about our long tradition of ladies and gentlemen who enforce the law. That phone call could have been about any trooper in Missouri, anywhere in Missouri. All of us strive to provide meaningful service and to protect others with respect and compassion. I know the Patrol's Command Staff receives calls regularly praising troopers and civilian employees. I am proud to represent such a long line of outstanding public servants.

Looking back through both my history with the agency and the Patrol history, I see the many people who came before me who made my path smoother. Whether it was Sergeant Ben Booth, Pat Wright, Bridget Hug, or David McPherson, each of them faced challenges and moved the Patrol toward positive change. I will carry the knowledge of their courage and perseverance with me through this new chapter in Patrol history.

The recent outpouring of support is truly a testament to the entire agency and the work each of you do. Every day, the work of the Patrol is accomplished one contact at a time. No matter where you serve within the organization, you have helped to build and continue to strengthen our agency's reputation. Our employees, both civilians and members, have a heart for service in their interactions with the public. I, too, have a heart for serving this great organization and am proud to represent you as colonel.



Sandra K. Karsten

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Social Media Snapshot

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Missouri State Trooper Beau Ryun never thought he would get backup assistance from a random stranger, but he's certainly thankful for those who...

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Our followers very much appreciated the Good Samaritan who came to the aid of Trooper Beau M. Ryun, Troop A. During a traffic stop on Interstate 70, things escalated when the trooper attempted to put the driver in handcuffs. The subject began to resist and a struggle followed. Tpr. Ryun's radio malfunctioned, so he was unable to radio for help. A man on the way to a funeral stopped to help. Tpr. Ryun directed the man on how to use his portable radio to call for assistance. The man also located Tpr. Ryun's

handcuffs on the ground and brought them to him while he held the subject in a rear neck restraint. A second Good Samaritan, a 74-year-old woman, stopped to help. She was talking to 9-1-1 dispatchers and updating them in real time during the fight. The woman also attempted to lay on the subject's feet and was kicked in the face receiving a minor injury. The fight lasted approximately six minutes. Tpr. Ryun appreciated the assistance and said he found out later that both the Higginsville Police Department and Lafayette County Sheriff's Department received several 9-1-1 calls reporting the fight. Tpr. Ryun has submitted the names of both Good Samaritans for Honorary Trooper Awards.

Cover

Criminalist III Kimberly D. Hardin processes a letter for latent fingerprints. Kim is assigned to the Crime Laboratory Division at General Headquarters and has been working for the Patrol since 2003.

"Kim is someone who is always willing to lend a helping hand or take on additional duties at work and in her personal life. Kim routinely participates in training members of other law enforcement agencies, serves as a recruiter for the MSHP, and organizes fundraising for the laboratory Christmas family," said Criminalist Sprv. Stacey A. Bolinger, Q/CLD.

WHAT'S IMPORTANT NOW?

On May 25, 2016, Corporal Scott A. Ballard, Troop F, was working traffic enforcement on Interstate 70 with Patrol aircraft. A truck was checked at 86 mph in a 70 mph zone. When Cpl. Ballard heard the description of the truck, he realized it matched the description in an earlier report of a vehicle driving in a careless and imprudent manner. When the driver saw traffic on I-70 slowing down and two troopers already engaged in traffic stops, he took the next exit then drove through the grass to the outer road. Cpl. Ballard initiated a pursuit, but saw the truck being operated aggressively on a windy, hilly road, traveling 79 mph in a 55 mph zone. Knowing the airplane was above him, Cpl. Ballard discontinued pursuit, allowing the airplane to track the vehicle. The driver seemed to calm down after this decision and drove less aggressively. Unfortunately, the situation came to an end when the truck driver chose to drive the wrong way and hit another vehicle. The outcome of this situation was not what troopers had hoped for, but their actions were in line with "WIN: What Is Important Now," tenet of Below 100.



Remembering Our Ultimate River Warrior

By Sgt. Jake Angle, Troop H

On August 1, 2016, we unveiled a monument at the intersection of Missouri Highway 118 and Missouri Highway 111 honoring our fallen brother, Trooper Fred F. Guthrie Jr. and his K9 Reed. August 1 marked the five-year anniversary of the search for Tpr. Guthrie and K9 Reed. Family and friends gathered to unveil the beautiful monument that will forever stand as a reminder of Tpr. Guthrie's and K9 Reed's ultimate sacrifice. The monument was a cooperative effort by Troop A, Zone 19, family, Holt County citizens, and friends of Tpr. Guthrie. Tpr. Guthrie was the 30th member of the Missouri State Highway Patrol to make the ultimate sacrifice while serving and protecting the citizens of Missouri. We will never forget our "Ultimate River Warrior."



This photo shows a close up of the monument honoring Tpr. Fred F. Guthrie Jr. and K9 Reed (EOW August 1, 2011).

DPS Honors Sgt. Echternacht's Shoot Out Boat Race Rescue

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

Speed. Water. Spectators. Sunshine. It was the making of a great event last August 27-28, 2016, when tens of thousands gathered for the 2016 Shoot Out Boat Race at the Lake of the Ozarks. Area law enforcement and fire department personnel assisted with the event, including 12 troopers assigned along the two-mile course. The race is one part of the Lake of the Ozarks Shoot Out, a community event raising funds for several charities and fire departments.

On Saturday, August 27, then Corporal David F. Echternacht, Q/TND, was one of the troopers assigned to the boat race. He and his passengers, RN Stacy Turner and Dr. William Cravens, were located close to the finish line of the race course at the 34-mile marker of the Osage Arm. At approximately 11:45 a.m. Cpl. Echternacht was scanning the crowd when RN Stacy Turner made him aware that a driver was losing control of his vessel. The 22-foot Donzi Classic, operated by Mr. Jeffrey McCann, was traveling at approximately 109 mph when it became airborne. When the boat violently impacted the water, Mr. McCann was ejected into the lake.

Cpl. Echternacht saw the badly damaged vessel and debris, and scanned the sky for rescue helicopters above the race course. Not seeing any helicopters, Cpl. Echternacht quickly responded to the crash. Once on scene, Cpl. Echternacht placed his boat into neutral and jumped feet first into the lake from the starboard side. He then swam to Mr. McCann who was motionless and face down in the water. Cpl. Echternacht shifted Mr. McCann onto his back, so his face was out of the water. The man was unconscious and not breathing, so Cpl. Echternacht reached under the race helmet Mr. McCann was wearing and performed a modified jaw thrust successfully opening his airway.

Cpl. Echternacht instructed him to breathe. Mr. McCann began to slowly regain consciousness and take shallow breaths. Shortly thereafter, Mr. McCann began breathing sufficiently without assistance.

Moments later the Mid-County Fire Protection arrived. Mr. McCann was transported to the Lake Regional Hospital and eventually the University of Missouri Hospital for treatment. He is expected to make a full recovery.

According to an article by Lake-Expo.com, Mr. McCann's vessel sank 30 seconds after impact and Cpl. Echternacht made contact in the water 36 seconds after the crash.

Lake Regional Hospital Emergency Preparedness Coordinator Paul Harris wrote, "Time is the critical variable with any crash. Officer Echternacht's efforts made the difference for the victim. Without his quick thinking, the efforts by the medical team may have been fruitless."

In a special ceremony on February 3, 2017, in Classroom E of the Patrol's Academy, Department of Public Safety Director Drew Juden recognized Sgt. Echternacht's actions by naming him the January 2017 DPS Employee of the Month. "Sergeant, I can't tell you what a privilege it is as the new director of DPS to present this plaque to you. Thank you very much and be safe out there." said Director Juden.

"We appreciate what you did that day," said Lt. Col. Sandra K. Karsten,



(l to r) Lt. Col. Sandra Karsten, then acting superintendent, Sgt. David Echternacht, Q/TND, and DPS Director Drew Juden are pictured after the January 2017 DPS Employee of the Month presentation.

then acting superintendent of the Patrol. "We also appreciate what you do every day here at the Academy. Congratulations."

"That day, I was out there doing my job," said Sgt. Echternacht. "It's something anyone else would have done. I'm humbled to see all of you who showed up today." Sgt. Echternacht went on to recognize the other troopers and agencies helping during the boat race. "I just happened to be the first at the scene. I'm lucky to be able to do what I do, at the Academy and that Captains Rice, Turner, and Walz give me the opportunity to work special details and keep my skills sharp."

"I'd like to say we planned to have our lead marine swim instructor right there," said Capt. Matt Walz, Q/WPD. "But, we didn't plan that well. We were fortunate he was there."

"Dave performs above and beyond every day," said then Captain Vince S. Rice, Q/TND. "Obviously, on that day he did. But, every day here at the Academy he does, also. He not only can talk the talk, but walk the walk."

Congratulations on being named January 2017 DPS Employee of the Month, Sgt. Echternacht!

Lights ... Camera ... Action!

Tpr. Gundy Recovers Stolen Movie Equipment, Recognized By DPS

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

The criminals made it from California all the way to Boone County, Missouri, before their luck changed. That's where Trooper Gary E. Gundy, Troop F, was working Interstate 70 on October 4, 2016. When a maroon minivan traveling 91 mph flew past his location in the median, a traffic stop became imminent. As Tpr. Gundy pulled from the median, the minivan was leaving the Interstate at U.S. Highway 40. After striking another vehicle, the minivan continued to the Midway Travel Plaza where Tpr. Gundy located it sitting at the gas island.

Four occupants were walking away from the minivan, and with the assistance of a Boone County deputy, Tpr. Gundy detained two of them. A search of the vehicle revealed several equipment bags of what appeared to be camera equipment used in the movie industry.

"There were so many people that helped with this stop," said Tpr. Gundy. "The entire DDCC Unit assigned to Troop F helped inventory the camera equipment. And, there was a lot of it. Corporal Devin W. Foust from Cooper County came over to help, Sergeant Steven B. Johnson, Troop F's criminal interdicator, came to help, Boone Coun-

ty deputies, my zone sergeant, Sgt. Mike A. Halford came out on his day off. The two subjects were Spanish speaking, and Cpl. Bruce A. McLaughlin and his wife, Ivette, translated for us. Cpl. McLaughlin visited the jail and also watched my in-car video. Originally, the suspects acted like they didn't know anything. But, their conversation in my car proved otherwise."

The camera bodies, lenses, and stabilizing equipment were marked with "VideoFAX" labels. Computer checks of the serial numbers revealed they were stolen from San Francisco, CA. VideoFAX had reported a theft of \$1,035,000 in equipment on September 16, 2016. Tpr. Gundy and DDCC officers retrieved clothing items from the van, which they were able to tie to the break-in using VideoFAX's surveillance video of the burglary.

In addition to the filming equipment, numerous pairs of designer sunglasses, watches, and leather goods were recovered. It is estimated these items will bring the total value of the recovered stolen merchandise to around \$1,050,000.

On February 28, 2017, the Missouri Department of Public Safety honored Tpr. Gundy's work by naming

him February 2017 DPS Employee of the Month. The presentation took place at Troop F Headquarters.

Major Gregory K. Smith, Q/FOB, served as emcee at the event. After welcoming everyone, he invited Tpr. Gundy to introduce his guests.

"Thank you for coming, I really appreciate it." said Tpr. Gundy. His love for his family showed when he introduced his wife and in-laws, who also attended the ceremony. "I'm fortunate to be blessed with great in-laws. They have been very important in the raising of our children. Everyone in uniform knows your spouse is the most important person in your family. She is the one who is sitting at the table when I'm not. Without her, our children wouldn't be the people they are."

Lieutenant Colonel Sandra K. Karsten, then acting superintendent, presented the certificate and a challenge coin to Tpr. Gundy. "I know you have closed many cases and performed many acts of service during your career," she told him. "You've done that in a way that reflects positively on you and the Patrol. I sincerely appreciate the way you've handled your career."

DPS Deputy Director Gregg Favre congratulated Tpr. Gundy, telling him he was the epitome of what the cur-



After the presentation, Tpr. Gary Gundy asked the group to pose for this picture.

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rent recruits should strive to become.

“It is no surprise to me that he is the employee of the month,” said Captain Michael A. Turner, Troop F. “He works hard and treats others well. Those that work with him know his work ethic. Those that really know him, know that he is even a better person.”

Lab Employees Soak The Supervisor

By Criminalist III Abby J. Lehman, Q/CLD

The General Headquarters Crime Laboratory Division employees raised \$851 to help make Christmas special for three families. We were able to provide clothing and toys for eight children through three fundraisers: a dessert auction, a silent auction, and the main event, “Soak the Supervisor.” Laboratory supervisors and management took their chances in receiving the most donations in their respective collection jars to see who would “win” the chance to be soaked by the laboratory safety shower. Criminalist Supervisor Stephany Louk-Denney was the lucky top fundraiser to take the cold shower for charity. Thank you for your good sportsmanship, Stephany!



Crim. Sprv. Stephany Louk-Denney prepares for her “Soak the Supervisor” prize.

Life Of A State Trooper

It's a long journey, from beginning to end.
Some give up before they begin.

We all start the process wondering if we have what it takes.
When they do our backgrounds, they find our mistakes.

We start out as recruits, in Jefferson City.
When some start out, it's not very pretty.

24 weeks go by and the day finally comes.
You're a probationary trooper and you feel like you've won.

The Academy is our foundation and a good place to start.
But, it's our FTO training that sets us apart.

Most don't know, all we go through.
To put on this smokey and uniform of blue.

It takes integrity, dedication, and loyalty just to name a few.
But, those come from within, it isn't taught to you.

Being a trooper is a job you have to want to do.
It's definitely not for everyone, that's why we're so few.

We work holidays, weekends, shift from days to nights, it's just some of
the things we do.
But, this is to make sure we're always here to provide protection for you.

We get called out, all hours of the night.
Maybe to change a tire or break up a fight.

We work vehicle crashes and assist people on their way.
We've even bowed our heads when someone's asked us to pray.

We go all over the state when communities are in need.
Helping citizens out, that's part of our creed.

We're the people that knock on your door to tell you your child is not
coming home.
That's not something they teach us, we learn that one on our own.

So, to say our days are routine just simply isn't true.
Because once we go 41, there's no telling what we'll do.

For 86 years we've kept this legacy driven.
Respect is something you earn, it's not something that's given.

So you see there is a lot more than putting on the uniform and driving
around in a car.

We don't do it because we have to, it's because of what we are.

— *Tpr. Joe R. Johnston, Troop H*

Students Say Thank You From Afar

By Sgt. Jeff Noack, Q/AD

Trooper Ethan B. Mueller, Q/AD, received a handwritten card from several students at St. Bruno Parish School in Dousman, WI. One card was from a student named Molly. Her teacher, Ms. Melissa Dunlavy, is Troop F Trooper David Fouch's sister-in-law. Ms. Dunlavy's entire class made thank you cards for Missouri troopers, for saving lives and supporting public safety. The pictures with this article were sent to Ms. Dunlavy's class as a thank you for their kind words.



Troop F, Zone 15 members Sgt. Ryan Thompson, Tpr. Derek Shikles, and Tpr. David Fouch enjoyed the cards children sent them.

Tpr. Ethan Mueller, Q/AD, holds thank you notes from children the cards while standing in front of the helicopter 90MP.



A young Wisconsin student named Molly created this thank you card for Tpr. Ethan Mueller, Q/AD.

Missouri Recognizes Excellence

Congratulations to the following members for being named Missouri State Employees of the Month!

Corporal James E. Thuss, Troop A, was named October 2016 Missouri State Employee of the Month for his actions at the scene of a two vehicle traffic crash. On February 2, 2016, Cpl. Thuss arrived at the scene and, as the vehicle burned, extricated the injured driver from the driver's seat. An unidentified bystander helped him carry her to a safe location.

Trooper Adam N. Miller, Troop C, was named the November 2016 Missouri State Employee of the Month. He was recognized for responding to a house fire where he entered the smoke-filled home and saved the life of a disabled person.

Troopers Logan B. Monahan and Shayne K. Talburt, both Troop E, were named December 2016 Missouri State Employee of the Month. They were recognized for their actions at the scene of a vehicle crash, where the vehicle was partially submerged in the flooded Cypress Creek in Ripley County. The two marine enforcement troopers were instrumental in rescuing the trapped driver.

(Editor's note: Tpr. Talburt has since been promoted to corporal.)



Cpl. James E. Thuss



Tpr. Adam N. Miller



Tpr. Logan B. Monahan



Tpr. Shayne K. Talburt

Anti-Defamation League Recognizes Tpr. Haslag

By Sgt. Shawn Griggs, Q/DDCC

On December 9, 2016, Trooper Darrin R. Haslag, Q/DDCC, accepted the Distinguished Service Award from the Missouri/Southern Illinois office of the Anti-Defamation League* at a ceremony held at the Third Degree Glass Factory in St. Louis. This award recognizes law enforcement representatives who distinguish themselves in the investigation and/or prosecution of hate crime, bias, domestic or international terrorism, or in the protection of civil rights.

Tpr. Haslag was nominated for outstanding service in the course of an exhaustive three-year investigation beginning in 2013. The investigation resulted in the discovery of the sexual assault and exploitation of multiple female victims by two defendants. One of the defendants was a law enforcement officer.

It is not often the Division of Drug and Crime Control is able to highlight special investigations. In 2015 alone, 212 requests for special investigations were made to the Division of Drug and Crime Control. Special investigations are those involving criminal activity alleged to have been committed by public officials, criminal justice personnel, governmental agencies, or political subdivisions.

Tpr. Haslag has now received DPS Employee of the Month Award, DDCC's Officer of the Year Award, and Anti-Defamation League's Distinguished Service Award for his amazing work during this special investigation. In the course of the investigation, Tpr. Haslag took

a single complaint from one victim regarding inappropriate conduct and followed lead after lead in order to identify 85 victims, many of whom were drugged by one of the perpetrators. In one instance, Tpr. Haslag's investigation led to his having the responsibility of informing one of the victims that she had been drugged and sexually assaulted. When asked about the investigation Tpr. Haslag stated, "Any one of our DDCC investigators would have taken the same actions as I did. I just never thought I would have to tell a woman on behalf of law enforcement she had been raped by another law enforcement officer. He affected victims, families of the victims, the community, and all of law enforcement." For further information about the investigation, please see the July-August 2015 *Patrol News*.

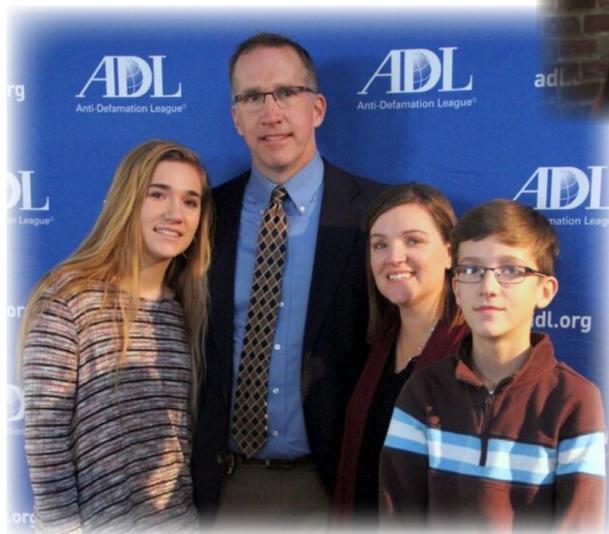
Since the arrests, the primary defendant has taken his own life and the second defendant received a 10-year sentence on both federal and state charges. Due to the trust Tpr. Haslag built with many of the victims and the fact that he has restored

their faith in law enforcement, many of the victims stay in contact with him. Tpr. Haslag added, "I understand why they trust me and if I can, I would help any of them at any time."

(*The Anti-Defamation League is the largest non-governmental organization offering police programs on domestic and international terrorism, extremism, and hate/bias crime. The agency works through advocacy and education to challenge bias and bigotry in all forms, monitoring and researching extremists and sharing that information to help law enforcement address community problems.)



Philip Deitch photo. Used with permission.
Tpr. Darrin Haslag, Troop F, speaks at the reception.



Philip Deitch photo. Used with permission.

After the award presentation, Tpr. Darrin Haslag and his family paused for this photo. From left to right are: Kenley Haslag, Tpr. Haslag, Mrs. Angie Haslag, and Scott Haslag.

Patrol Serves, Protects At Governor's Inauguration

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

On a chilly January 9, 2017, members of Missouri's Executive Branch of government were sworn into office with the expected ceremony.

In his inaugural speech, Gov. Greitens mentioned the tradition of a peaceful transition of power and thanked Governor Jay Nixon and his team for their service. The new governor then promised, "to be loyal to your needs and priorities. I answer to the people and come as an outsider to do the people's work," he said.

It was truly a day where tradition met change. The inaugural events included an interfaith service, but not a parade, honored the service of Missouri's heroes, and added a review of the

troops. Review of the troops? Yes. As part of his inauguration, Gov. Eric Greitens reviewed a contingent of Missouri State Highway Patrol and Missouri National Guard members. Afterward, the Anheuser-Busch team of Clydesdales transported Gov. Greitens to the Governor's Mansion. Gov. Greitens and First Lady Sheena Greitens then hosted and visited receptions through the afternoon before arriving at the Inaugural Ball.

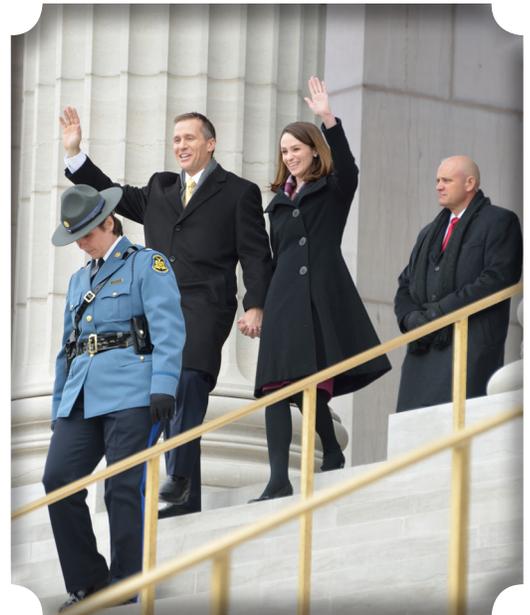
Throughout all of the events, members of the Patrol kept an eye on things, their quiet professional-

ism and steady presence adding much to the event. For decades, the Patrol has been part of the "peaceful transition of power" of a Missouri governor's inauguration. For Gov. Greitens' inauguration, the Patrol was one of 13 law enforcement agencies making sure the event remained safe for state officials and the public alike. Approximately 306 Patrol employees were part of the inauguration detail; 277 of whom were members.

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Lt. Col. Sandra K. Karsten accompanies Gov. Eric and First Lady Sheena Greitens.

Gov. Eric Greitens takes the oath of office on January 9, 2017.



A line of troopers (seen here) and National Guardsmen framed the Capitol steps during the inauguration. Here, they are saluting during the Pledge of Allegiance.

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The Patrol contingent comes to attention for the review of troops.



The Clydesdales give Missouri's new governor a lift to the Governor's Mansion.



(l to r) Cpl. Jeremy R. McCurdy and Cpl. Kyle D. Wilmont, both Troop I, man a security checkpoint.



Gov. Eric Greitens shakes hands with Cpl. Chris J. Sullivan, Troop H, during the Honoring Missouri's Heroes event.



(l to r) Sgt. Gary Swartz, Troop C, Sgt. Matt Broniec, Troop F, Sgt. Craig Kicker, Troop E, and Capt. Paul Kerperin, Q/DDCC, provide security at one of the many entrances to our state capitol.

Captain Norman A. Murphy, Q/FOB, served as officer-in-charge of the Patrol's inauguration detail. Troopers were part of security for the prayer service, heroes' event, inauguration ceremony, reception at Capital Plaza, inaugural ball, review of troops, and reception at the Governor's Mansion.

The review of the troops was a new addition to a governor's inauguration, and Capt. Murphy enlisted aid from the Academy, because they are current with formation movements. Captain Vince S. Rice, Q/TND, served as commander of troops for the Patrol during the review. Lieutenant Jerry C. West, Q/TND, acted as the MSHP detachment leader in charge of formation; Sergeant Gary C. Swartz, Troop C, carried the Missouri flag; and Corporal C. Joey Day, Q/TND, carried the contingent's guide-on.

"Throughout his campaign and following the election, the governor has explicitly expressed his commitment to law enforcement and public safety," said Capt. Rice. "I believe the review of troops was a testament to his support and was a great addition to the inaugural ceremonies, providing the venue to showcase our personnel and the Patrol as the flagship law enforcement agency in the state."

"This was a new experience for me, being the first inauguration I have been assigned to," said Sgt. Garrett J. Loring, Troop G. Sgt. Loring was assigned a post outside during the inauguration ceremony itself, and participated in the review of troops. Later that evening, he was assigned to a post on the second floor of the Capitol during the inauguration ball. "I worked 14-15 hours that day alongside several troopers and other agencies. It was an historic day and it was an honor to be a part of such a pivotal point in the Patrol's history."

Lieutenant Ben C. Jones, Q/CRD, said his day started 7:30 a.m. and finished at 11:30 p.m. During inauguration itself, he was positioned by tent housing sound equipment to make sure guests didn't enter the tent or trip on cords. "That afternoon, I was roving around answering questions, giving directions, and relieving other troopers, so they could eat." Lt. Jones was assigned to the grand march at the ball—assisting at the staircase exit to keep traffic flowing the correct direction. "It's always nice to be part of history, but this detail makes for a long day."

"This was my first inauguration detail," said Trooper Zachary S. Wang, Troop C. "I have been with the Patrol for six years, and I would say it's one of the proudest moments I've had serving the state. I was in the review of troops and assigned as one of the members on the steps during the inauguration ceremony. I knew this was a special event once I saw all the troopers wearing their blouses. It was something I think all troopers should get to experience. The day was even more special for me as I was invited by Gov. Eric Greitens to participate in the honoring Missouri heroes' ceremony."

"I thought the detail went great," said Capt. Murphy. "We were very flexible, because there were a lot of changes to the original plan. All of the agencies cooperated well, which is why the detail was successful. There were a lot of photo ops with troopers during the ball. I can't say that happened as much in the past, but it was prevalent this year. The thing I liked the best about the inauguration is how professional we look. The inauguration showcases the professionalism of the Highway Patrol."

Colonel J. Bret Johnson Retires

The Patrol: More Than A Job

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

“Although the type of service changed with each rank, the call did not” Colonel J. Bret Johnson used this sentence to describe his 30 plus years of service and protection to the citizens of Missouri.

Col. Johnson was appointed to the Patrol in August 1986, as a member of the 58th Recruit Class. As every trooper does, Col. Johnson began his career working the road. He served in assignments in Troop B (Kahoka, MO, and Hannibal, MO) and Troop F (Jefferson City, MO) before being assigned to General Headquarters as the executive officer. He was promoted to the rank of captain in 2003, and designated chief of staff. In 2007, he was promoted to major and served as the bureau commander for the Support Services Bureau before becoming commander of the Field Operations Bureau. Governor Jay Nixon nominated Col. Johnson to become the Patrol superintendent on February 11, 2015, and he was confirmed by the Missouri Senate on Thursday, March 19, 2015.

Col. Johnson is quick to speak of his family and is proud of their accomplishments. He attributes his own

success in life to his parents, who instilled a strong work ethic, and the support of a lot of people. From his wife Cindy, who’s been his best friend since they were 16, to the local sheriff and all of the Patrol employees whose careers overlapped with his, Colonel Johnson understands and appreciates from whence he came.

“I’ve worked under seven governors,” he said, “and became the 22nd superintendent under Nixon.” He thanked Governor Nixon and his staff and wished Governor Eric Greitens much success, saying he appreciates Gov. Greitens support of law enforcement. “I know from talking to him that he has a lot of respect for what our employees do every day.”

When he became colonel, he hit the ground running. Communicating his vision and focus to employees, Col. Johnson created the Career Recruitment Division, worked with the faith community to host unity services in several areas of the state, and became the first colonel to Tweet.



Scout Johnson, granddaughter of Col. Bret Johnson, led the Pledge of Allegiance with a little assistance from dad, Sgt. Steven Johnson, Troop F.

At his retirement celebration, he expressed his appreciation to his staff and previous colonels’ staff, saying, “Our accomplishments were always a team effort. We didn’t always agree, but when we came out after the discussion we were still friends.” The colonel went on to apologize for the early texts to members of his staff, as he would often send inquiries or requests as soon as he thought them. Most often, these texts went out in the wee hours of the morning. “I think they will stop,” Col. Johnson laughed, “but, I still do have their numbers.”

Some friends he made along the way were connections made in difficult situations. The colonel stressed his appreciation for the relationships the Patrol has with other Missouri law enforcement agencies. At his retirement celebration, he voiced this sentiment, and specifically thanked DPS Director Lane Roberts and St. Louis County Chief Jon Belmar for their friendships.

Major Kemp A. Shoun, Q/ESB, served as emcee during the January 19 gathering to celebrate Col. Johnson’s service to the people of Missouri. Many friends, family members, and colleagues came to thank the colonel and wish him well. Representatives

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“I think about Bret’s journey, and the core values of the Patrol,” said Mrs. Cindy Johnson, Colonel J. Bret Johnson’s wife of 35 years. “I don’t know which one he exemplifies the most. But, when I think of integrity, responsibility, respect, professionalism, compassion, resourcefulness, character, and commitment, I think Bret is all of those things. Jack and Shelda gave Bret roots, and the Patrol gave him wings. The decisions, especially the hard decisions, that were always in the best interest of the Patrol are left to those who are willing to stand up for what’s right. I’m so proud of Bret for doing the right things. I’d like to personally thank the Patrol family for being exactly that—a family, through good times and bad, celebrating with us, grieving with us, supporting us, caring for us, and being with Bret through these remarkable and very fast 30+ years. And, as I’ve overheard him say at the end of many phone conversations, “Holler if you need anything.” He still means that.”

— Johnson

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from the Missouri Legislature; city, state, and federal law enforcement; The MASTERS; and professional associations shared stories of their experiences and relationships with the colonel and the Missouri State Highway Patrol. Their deep respect was woven into their statements.

Senator Doug Lila thanked Col. Johnson and said his support was making a positive difference in the Bootheel. “Hundreds of kids look toward a positive future now,” he said.

“I know you’re proud of what you’ve accomplished,” said Chief Jon Belmar. “We are proud of our work together. Proud of your work for one of the best departments in the nation.” He then showed his sense of humor by presenting Colonel Johnson with an honorary St. Louis County Police Department badge, saying, “Deep down,

we have always felt a little bad for you because you didn’t have a badge.”

“Our protective mission in this state could not be carried out without the colonel and Missouri State Highway Patrol,” said Special Agent-In-Charge Kris Schmidt from the U.S. Secret Service office in St. Louis, MO. “Thank you.”

“We are very grateful for your openness and sensitivity,” said Senator Shalonn “Kiki” Curls. “We’ve had many discussions on law enforcement and communities. Thank you for having the utmost sensitivity and integrity on the issue of urban communities and law enforcement.”

After the presentations, Col. Johnson again took a few moments to express his appreciation to everyone.

“The Patrol is and always has been more than a job,” said Colonel John-

son. “I gained a family over the last three decades of wearing this uniform. A funny thing happens over the course of a career in service. As much as I appreciate the recognition today, I feel the Patrol has given me more than I have given it. I’ll say it one last time: Hire good people. Train them well. Hold all people accountable who walk through these doors. It’s been a great ride. Stay safe.”



Special Agent-In-Charge Kris Schmidt, U.S. Secret Service in St. Louis, MO, congratulated Col. Bret Johnson at the retirement celebration.

The Blue Notes sang patriotic songs at the beginning of Col. Bret Johnson’s retirement celebration.



DEA Agents Tim McDermott and Jay Reavis congratulated the colonel and presented an eagle statue. “We are extremely grateful for the interdictions conducted on your highways,” said Agent McDermott. “We could not do it without your support. It is a privilege to work alongside the troopers.”



FBI Special Agent-In-Charge Bill Woods, St. Louis area, and FBI Special Agent-In-Charge Eric Jackson, Kansas City area, each presented Col. Bret Johnson with a memento. “When we combine communication and assets we can make a difference,” said Agent Woods.

Congratulations On Your Retirement!



D. Allen Fountain
MVI Sprv.
Troop C

*Retired January 1, 2017.
36 years of dedicated service.*



Yvonne D. Cook
Staff Artist II
Q/PIED

*Retired February 1, 2017.
34 years of dedicated service.*

L. Clay Crowe
Sergeant
Troop D

*Retired February 1, 2017.
30 years, six months
of dedicated service.*



J. Bret Johnson
Colonel
Q/SO

*Retired February 1, 2017.
30 years, six months
of dedicated service.*



Gregory D. Kindle
Major
Q/SSB

*Retired February 1, 2017.
36 years, seven months
of dedicated service.*



Terry W. Lee
Corporal
Troop E

*Retired February 1, 2017.
22 years of dedicated service.*



Terry L. Mast
Sergeant
Q/GD

*Retired February 1, 2017.
27 years, seven months
of dedicated service.*



Larry J. Sheehy
CVO Sprv. I
Troop E

*Retired February 1, 2017.
28 years of dedicated service.*



Congratulations On Your Retirement!



Kathryn Y. Simpson
Comm. Oper. III
Troop H

*Retired February 1, 2017.
18 years of dedicated service.*



Christine M. Stefanus
DE III
Troop C

*Retired February 1, 2017.
29 years of dedicated service.*

Darryl C. Suhr
Sergeant
Q/GD

*Retired February 1, 2017.
32 years of dedicated service.*



Eric K. Volkmer
Sergeant
Troop I

*Retired February 1, 2017.
34 years of dedicated service.*



Pennie S. Weisacosky
Comm. Oper. III
Troop I

*Retired February 1, 2017
20 years of dedicated service.*



Brent J. Bernhardt
Sergeant
Troop B

*Retired March 1, 2017.
27 years of dedicated service.*



Carla J. Bruemmer
Desig. Principal Asst.
Q/SO

*Retired March 1, 2017.
37 years, nine months
of dedicated service.*



David L. Craighead
CVO Sprv. I
Troop F

*Retired March 1, 2017.
32 years of dedicated service.*



Congratulations On Your Retirement!



David M. Crouch
 CDL Examiner
 Troop C

*Retired March 1, 2017.
 10 years of dedicated service.*



Gregory L. Hill
 Comm. Oper. III
 Troop E

*Retired March 1, 2017
 24 years of dedicated service.*

Kevin E. Linear
 Corporal
 Troop B

*Retired March 1, 2017.
 26 years of dedicated service.*



Rocky L. Seiner
 Sergeant
 Troop B

*Retired March 1, 2017.
 34 years of dedicated service.*



Retirees, Surviving Spouses: Let's Do Lunch!

A Missouri State Highway Patrol "retirees luncheon" is planned with a special welcome to all MSHP retirees and spouses, surviving spouses, and special guests. Please join us from 11 a.m. to 3 pm. on Friday, August 18, 2017, at the First Baptist Church, 2 North Douglas, Lee's Summit, MO. We'll be eating lunch at noon. We hope you'll join and take a little time for some fun and fellowship! (Door prizes are appreciated!) Our emcee is retired Captain Vince Ellis. The cost is \$14 per person and checks should be made payable to Pat Spire.

Your hosts are:

Pat Spire
 3400 NW 51st Terrace
 Blue Springs, MO 64015
 816-229-0154
 pvspire@prodigy.net

Fount Foushee
 7910 E 159th St
 Belton, MO 64012
 816-331-1994
 wff7910@aol.com

Virginia Fenton
 720 Sunset Drive
 Independence, MO 64050
 816-461-6898

Reservation Slip

Please return by August 1, 2017

Name: _____ Spouse/Guest: _____

Troop: _____ Years of Service: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

Please mail checks to: Pat Spire, 3400 NW 51st Terrace, Blue Springs, MO 64015

Gov. Greitens Designates Lt. Col. Karsten Next Superintendent

“Today, I am proud to announce that Lieutenant Colonel Sandra Karsten is the next superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol.” With that simple sentence, Missouri Governor Eric Greitens made history. His announcement promoted a female member of the Patrol to its highest rank for the first time in its 85-year history.

“Lt. Col. Karsten has risen from trooper to superintendent and led with courage and commitment,” Gov. Greitens continued. He said he is confident she will lead with integrity, strength, and courage. “I am honored to serve with all of you. I know Col. Karsten will be an extraordinary superintendent.”

“Thank you, Governor,” said Lt. Col. Karsten. “I am certainly humbled to have been selected to be the next superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol. It is my honor to accept this appointment with the support of my husband Tim, sons John and Paul, and the support that has been shown throughout my career.” Lt. Col. Karsten promised she would work hard for her coworkers regardless of their rank or assignment. “I will listen and then lead. I look forward to serving with you, Gov. Greitens, and DPS Director Drew Juden.”

The announcement came on February 1, 2017, in the second floor conference room at General Headquarters. Lt. Col. Karsten serves as

the acting superintendent until after the Senate confirmation hearing and subsequent vote in the Missouri Senate chambers.

Congratulations, Acting Superintendent Sandra K. Karsten!

After the announcement, Gov. Eric Greitens hands Lt. Col. Sandra Karsten the rank insignia for colonel.



Lt. Col. Sandra Karsten salutes Gov. Eric Greitens upon being invited to the podium.



Acting Superintendent Sandra Karsten told coworkers and the media she will “listen and then lead” as superintendent.



'Looking Beyond The Stop'

The following officers are to be commended for looking beyond the initial traffic/boating stop. Each of these officers made at least one arrest during the period of December 17, 2016 through February 17, 2017. (Editor's note: This column excludes DWI/BWI arrests, warrant arrests, and "plain sight" situations. Keep in mind that there must be information in the "miscellaneous" section of the radio report to be considered for this column. Rank and assignment reflect those at printing.)

Troop A

Tpr. A.M. Beckwith, 1 arrest
Tpr. C.R. Blackmon, 1 arrest
Sgt. W.P. Bremer, 1 arrest
Tpr. L.R. Dancy, 8 arrests
Sgt. M.D. DeGraffenreid, 1 arrest
Tpr. Q.L. DiNovi, 1 arrest
Tpr. B.R. Dodson, 1 arrest
Tpr. S.E. Dodson, 1 arrest
Cpl. J.A. Green, 1 arrest
Tpr. R.O. Green, 3 arrests
Tpr. B.J. Hamerle, 1 arrest
Tpr. M.J. Hanrahan, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.J. Jackson, 1 arrest
Cpl. D.A. Jones, 2 arrests
Cpl. D.J. Kline, 1 arrest
Tpr. E.A. Lusk-Brinegar, 2 arrests
Cpl. D.D. Mathes, 5 arrests
Sgt. R.B. McGinnis, 3 arrests
Cpl. C.D. Moeller, 1 arrest
Tpr. N.A. Perez, 2 arrests
Tpr. B.M. Ryun, 7 arrests
Cpl. B.R. Sanson, 1 arrest
Tpr. B.R. Siercks, 1 arrest
Tpr. E.J. Villanueva, 3 arrests
Tpr. N.D. Wallace, 1 arrest
Tpr. G.B. Wright, 1 arrest
Tpr. M.G. Yendes, 1 arrest

Troop B

Cpl. T.J. Adams, 2 arrests
Tpr. M.L. Bradley, 1 arrest
Cpl. J.S. Dunn, 1 arrest
Cpl. C.M. Duppong, 2 arrests
Cpl. K.E. Easley, 1 arrest
Tpr. G.L. Gaines, 2 arrests
Cpl. B.C. Griffin, 1 arrest
Tpr. A.M. Hitt, 3 arrests
Tpr. J.P. Johnson, 2 arrests
Tpr. C.R. Kottwitz, 6 arrests
Tpr. K. McGivney, 1 arrest
Cpl. C.F. Porter, 1 arrest
Tpr. T.B. Ritter, 1 arrest
Tpr. M.H. Riley, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.A. Rowe, 1 arrest
Tpr. B.D. Tappendorf, 1 arrest

Troop C

Tpr. J.A. Akers, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.J. Arsenault, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.A. Ashby, 1 arrest
Tpr. O.R. Baker, 1 arrest
Cpl. J.R. Barlow, 1 arrest
Tpr. L.M. Bolton, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.J. Burnett, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.T. Casper, 1 arrest
Sgt. J.R. Diffie, 1 arrest
Cpl. A.D. Gadberry, 2 arrests
Cpl. C.D. Gullett, 1 arrest
Cpl. V.M. Kasput, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.A. Kuczka, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.E. Lacy, 1 arrest
Tpr. P.C. Long, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.A. Mason, 3 arrests
Tpr. A.J. Michels, 1 arrest
Tpr. R.J. North, 2 arrests
Tpr. E.A. Pape, 1 arrest
Tpr. T.L. Peters, 2 arrests
Tpr. S.T. Roettger, 1 arrest
Sgt. W.B. Sevier, 1 arrest
Tpr. A.J. Shibley, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.L. Walker Jr., 2 arrests
Tpr. B.P. Waaso, 1 arrest

Troop D

Tpr. T.A. Barrett, 2 arrests
Tpr. C.J. Beck, 5 arrests
Tpr. T.A. Bible, 2 arrests
Tpr. D.B. Blankenship, 1 arrest
Sgt. G.L. Braden, 1 arrest
Tpr. K.R. Copeland, 1 arrest
Tpr. B.L. Crockett, 1 arrest
Tpr. B.R. DeHann, 5 arrests
Sgt. M.K. Frazier, 4 arrests
Tpr. J.E. Givens, 1 arrest
Sgt. T.L. Hall, 1 arrest
Tpr. T.L. Harmon, 2 arrests
Tpr. R.L. Hutton, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.L. Johnson, 10 arrests
Tpr. R.L. Kelley, 1 arrest
Tpr. W.S. Lashmet, 7 arrests
Cpl. J.L. Mason, 2 arrests
Tpr. J.B. May, 1 arrest
Tpr. T.R. Morris, 1 arrest
Tpr. L.E. Rawson, 3 arrests

Tpr. J.R. Rorie Jr., 2 arrests
Tpr. A.S. Rice, 3 arrests
Cpl. D.S. Rice, 1 arrest
Tpr. C.A. Stallcup, 3 arrests
Tpr. W.J. Wood, 3 arrests

Troop E

Tpr. K.A. Barnett, 1 arrest
Tpr. E.L. Bennett, 2 arrests
Tpr. J.K. Brooks, 2 arrests
Tpr. R.L. Crafton, 1 arrest
Cpl. D.W. Crank, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.B. Doyle Jr., 1 arrest
Tpr. A.T. Grainger, 2 arrests
Tpr. C.E. Leach, 2 arrests
Sgt. M.D. Lynch, 1 arrest
Cpl. R.D. Owens, 1 arrest
Tpr. E.M. Reynolds, 2 arrests
Tpr. R.T. Schneider, 1 arrest
Cpl. M.L. Scoggins, 1 arrest
Cpl. J.J. West, 3 arrests
Tpr. E.M. Westmoreland, 2 arrests
Cpl. J.T. Wilson, 2 arrests
Tpr. R.J. Windham, 2 arrests
Tpr. B.D. Wunderlich, 1 arrest

Troop F

Tpr. G.A. Beaulieu, 3 arrests
Tpr. Z.A. Czerniewski, 3 arrests
Tpr. D.J. Dalton, 3 arrests
Tpr. T.C. Fick, 2 arrests
Tpr. D.L. Fouch, 4 arrests
Cpl. D.W. Foust, 1 arrest
Tpr. M.G. Kettenbach, 2 arrests
Tpr. M.R. Lawson, 2 arrests
Tpr. A.W. Lawman, 1 arrest
Tpr. N.W. March, 1 arrest
Tpr. H.M. McDaniel, 1 arrest
Cpl. B.A. McLaughlin, 1 arrest
Sgt. D.B. McPike, 1 arrest
Tpr. M.H. Mistler, 2 arrests
Tpr. G.T. Pemberton, 1 arrest
Tpr. E.C. Penrod, 2 arrests
Tpr. W.R. Plumley, 1 arrest
Tpr. N.R. Schaffer, 2 arrests
Tpr. D.T. Shikles, 3 arrests
Tpr. A.M. Starnes, 1 arrest

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Cpl. J.W. Turner, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.J. Wagner, 1 arrest
Tpr. S.J. Washabaugh, 1 arrest

Troop G

Tpr. S.J. Crewse, 4 arrests
Tpr. J.S. Cunningham, 4 arrests
Tpr. C.L. Goodwin, 1 arrest
Sgt. S.N. Foster, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.M. Heimsoth, 1 arrest
Cpl. A.D. Johnson, 1 arrest
Cpl. D.J. Johnson, 1 arrest
Sgt. G.J. Loring, 1 arrest
Tpr. C.C. McCoy, 2 arrests
Tpr. C.J. Mendez, 8 arrests
Tpr. J.W. Philpott, 4 arrests
Sgt. D.B. Pounds, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.O. Prater, 6 arrests
Tpr. B.C. Rowden, 7 arrests
Cpl. T.E. Young, 1 arrest

Troop H

Sgt. L.M. Allen, 3 arrests
Tpr. K.J. Cool, 2 arrests
Tpr. J.W. Cotter, 1 arrest
Cpl. J.M. Cross, 2 arrests
Tpr. T.R. Hecker, 1 arrest
Cpl. B.R. Hilliard, 2 arrests
Tpr. J.D. Maudlin, 2 arrests
Tpr. M.J. Miller, 4 arrests
Tpr. B.R. Muck, 4 arrests
Tpr. M.W. Neely, 2 arrests
Tpr. M.D. Obert, 1 arrest
Tpr. N.A. Regan, 1 arrest
Tpr. T.L. Shupe, 1 arrest
Sgt. T.L. Williams, 1 arrest
Tpr. C.M. Wright, 1 arrest

Troop I

Tpr. G.A. Ayres, 1 arrest
Tpr. S.M. Blackston, 1 arrest
Tpr. I.A. Cox, 3 arrests
Sgt. S.W. Cunningham, 1 arrest
Cpl. L.D. DeClue, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.L. Dunmire, 5 arrests
Tpr. J.A. Ice, 1 arrest
Cpl. J.R. McCurdy, 4 arrests
Tpr. G.S. Sloan, 6 arrests
Tpr. N.A. Smith, 3 arrests
Tpr. N.W. Summers, 1 arrest
Tpr. R.A. Tyler, 1 arrest
Cpl. K.D. Wilmont, 1 arrest
Tpr. T.G. Zimmerman, 1 arrest

GHQ

Sgt. S.W. Crouch (Q/FOB), 4 arrests
Tpr. R.R. Davis (Q/FOB), 1 arrest
Sgt. S.B. Johnson (Q/FOB), 5 arrests
Cpl. C.J. North (Q/FOB), 1 arrest
Sgt. G.D. Primm (Q/FOB), 2 arrests

“If it is not right do not do it; if it is not true do not say it.”
— Marcus Aurelius,
Roman emperor

Looking Back ... in the Patrol News

50 years ago

March 1967 — The front cover story announced that Trooper Ralph Biele's home was demolished in a tornado. Tpr. Beiele, his wife, and his three-year-old daughter were not hurt. A Missouri Auto Theft Seminar took place in all troops except Troop G. Topics included auto theft-scope and problems; investigative procedures and techniques, tracing procedures, recent laws and decisions affecting auto theft investigations, motor vehicle law administration—how it affects auto theft investigation; and how efficient communications combats auto theft. Lt. Col. K.K. Johnson, several other members, and representatives from the National Automobile Theft Bureau and Missouri Department of Revenue conducted the programs.

40 years ago

April 1977 — Governor Joseph P. Teasdale signed a proclamation designating the week of March 21 as “Operation Ident” Week. The purpose of this program was to emphasize identification on farm equipment and household items to deter theft and help in the recovery of stolen property.

30 years ago

March 1987 — The agency mourned the loss of both Corporal Henry C. Bruns and Trooper Russ W. Harper. An article told of Cpl. Bruns' funeral, which took place February 19. The issue also told of the loss of Trooper Russ W. Harper and the manhunt for/capture of Glenn Paul Sweet. A new driver's license was being issued. It would include the word “minor” as a watermark for those under the age of 21. As a safeguard in the prevention of communicable diseases to our officers, CPR valves were to be issued soon.

20 years ago

April 1997 — Articles highlighted Missouri's motor vehicle inspection program and the arrival of the 73rd Recruit Class to the Patrol's Academy. Another article announced that by a vote of 7-2, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that police can order passengers, as well as drivers, out of the vehicle at a traffic stop. The case originated in Baltimore, MD, and reversed the ruling of a Maryland appeals court.

10 years ago

March/April 2007 — Colonel James F. Keathley was sworn in as superintendent of the Patrol. CVET pilot program began. Memorial highways for Corporal John A. (Jay) Sampietro, Trooper Ross S. Creach, Trooper Ralph C. Tatoian, and Trooper D. Kevin Floyd were dedicated. The Sgt. C. Dewayne Graham Jr. memorial bridges were dedicated, also.

Group Donates Vest For K9 Jampy

On February 14, 2017, the Going To The Dogs Foundation presented a bullet/stab resistant vest to K9 Jampy.

"Jampy didn't know what to think when I strapped that vest on him the first time," said Sgt. R. Brooks McGinnis, Troop A. "He's worn it numerous times since the photograph was taken, and is getting used to its added weight and feel. Mrs. Donna Wilson's Going To the Dogs Foundation is doing great things for the law enforcement canine community and it is certainly appreciated."



Pictured here are Sgt. R. Brooks McGinnis, Troop A, Dr. Craig Satterlee, and K9 Jampy sporting his new protective vest. Dr. Satterlee and his team of doctors donated the money for the vest.

Deaths

James E. Kerr



James E. Kerr, 87, died on December 19, 2016. Mr. Kerr served in the U.S. Army and retired after 21 1/2 years of dedicated service. He joined the Missouri State Highway Patrol on January 31, 1969 as an inspector. He retired on August 31, 1988 as a commercial vehicle enforcement inspector supervisor. The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Kerr family.

Ethel E. Endsworth



Ethel E. Endsworth, 68, died on December 26, 2016. Ms. Endsworth was born in Washington, MO, and graduated from Ritenour High School in St. Louis, MO. After being a stay-at-home mother for years, she joined the Missouri State Highway Patrol as a driver examiner on February 1, 1998. Ms. Endsworth retired as a driver examiner supervisor on November 30,

2010. The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Endsworth family.

Lewis A. Cossins



Lewis A. Cossins, 74, died on January 2, 2017, at Kansas City Hospice House in Kansas City, MO. Mr. Cossins was born in Northern California, but lived his entire adult life in Missouri. He was appointed to the Missouri State Highway Patrol on May

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Deaths

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2, 1971, and retired at the rank of sergeant on September 1, 1998. Mr. Cossins is survived by his wife, Eloyce, three children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, other family members, and friends. To learn more about Mr. Cossin's life, visit Dickey Funeral Homes Inc. at www.dickeyfh.com. The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Cossins family.

Raymond E. Kluner Jr.



Raymond E. Kluner Jr., 81, died on January 18, 2017. He was appointed to the Missouri State Highway Patrol on August 2, 1958, and retired as a sergeant on August 30, 1990. He was also a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps. He is survived by his wife, Jane, children, grandchildren, and many other relatives and friends. For more information, visit the Hutchens-Stygar Funeral & Cremation Center website at www.hutchens-stygar.com. The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Kluner family.

Leona C. Tohlen-Collins



Leona C. Tohlen-Collins, 94, died on January 17, 2017. Mrs. Tohlen-Collins was born in Houston, MO, and later moved to the St. Louis area where she lived most of her life. She joined the Missouri State Highway Patrol as a driver examiner clerk and retired on September 1, 1990, after 15 years of service. She is survived by her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and many other relatives and friends. For more information, visit the Shepard Funeral Chapel website at www.shepardfuneralchapel.com. The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Collins family.

Gregory N. Hall



Gregory N. Hall, 56, of Raymore, MO, died on January 21, 2017, at

Belton Regional Medical Center. A Celebration of Life Service took place on Saturday, January 28, 2017, at Raymore Christian Church. The family suggests memorial contributions be directed to Tall Oaks Camp & Conference (talloaks.org), the Raymore Christian Church (500 Peace Drive, Raymore, MO, 64083), or to the American Heart Association (heart.org).

Greg was born July 30, 1960, in Fortuna, CA, the son of Robert and Janet (Grimes) Hall. Greg spent 13 years working as a commercial vehicle officer for the Missouri State Highway Patrol. He was a member of the Raymore Christian Church, counselor at the Tall Oaks Camp and Conference, and he served on many mission trips with his church. Greg was also a member of the Model Train Club.

He was preceded in death by his father, Robert N. Hall. Greg is survived by his wife of 26 years, Lela M. Hall; children, Kayla Hall and Michael Eimer (and his wife, Carla); his mother, Janet Hall; siblings, Mark Hall (and his wife, Sandy) and Kay Hall; two grandchildren, Eric Eimer and Kamyah Hall; and many nieces and nephews.

Cullen Funeral Home in Raymore, MO, handled the funeral arrangements. The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Hall family.

(Reprinted with permission from the Cullen Funeral Home.)

“Luck is what happens when preparation meets opportunity.”

*— Seneca the Younger,
Roman Stoic philosopher*

Thank You

Patrol Family:

On behalf of the McGrail family, we would like to thank you for the support through cards, prayers, and condolences. We also appreciate those who attended the visitation and mass for our mother. Having friends like you adds comfort and strength in our loss.

Ret. Major Tim McGrail & family



Our hearts are full of gratitude when we say many thanks for all acts of prayers, kindness, sympathy, and the outpouring of cards sent to our family during the recent passing of our mother Donnie F. Davis.

*God Bless,
DE Sprv. ReNee' Davis, Troop G,
& family*



My family and I would like to express our thanks and appreciation to everyone in our Patrol family for the outpouring of prayers, cards, and expressions of sympathy following the death of my father, Robert Armistead. We would also like to thank those who were able to attend the funeral service. Your support has been a great source of comfort to our family during this difficult time.

Lt. Joe L. Armistead, Q/PSD



On behalf of my brother, Kurt Saale, my sister, Kelly Cervenka, and I, I would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation for all the support we received during the brief illness and death of our dad, retired CDL Examiner Joseph Saale. The presence of Troop C current and retired personnel at his visitation and funeral was

wonderful. It was very nice to see so many of those dad had worked with during his time with the Patrol.

Ret. Research Analyst IV Phyllis Emmel



I would like to thank all of the Patrol employees and retirees for their personal assistance, phone calls, emails, and cards during the recent passing of my father. My family was amazed by the care and concern shown to our family by the Patrol family. Words cannot express my gratitude.

*Sincerely,
Lt. Dusty Hoffman, Q/RDD*

Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy goes to the following personnel who have lost a member of their family:

Ret. Major Tim P. McGrail - mother
Ret. Desig. Prin. Asst. Eileen Luebbert - mother
Criminalist I Mary Bouschard (Q/CLD) - grandmother
Ret. Sgt. J. Ed Lane - wife
Tpr. Jared E. Smith (B) - grandfather-in-law
Ret. Desig. Prin. Asst. Charlene R. Buschjost - mother
Ret. Fingerprint Tech. Sprv. Debra A. Libbert - mother
Auto. Tech. III Leon J Libbert (Q/FFD) - mother-in-law
Specialist II Jason R Buschjost - grandmother
CIT III Christopher S. Wilde (Q/CJISD) - grandmother
DE Sprv. Renee Davis (G) - mother
Tpr. Richard L. Anderson (D) - mother

Comm. Oper. III Darin A. Stevens (E) - grandmother
CVE Insp. III Jason E. Lawrence (H) - grandmother
DE III Jeffrey M. Phillips (C) - mother
Cpl. Matthew P. Fisher (Q/FOB) - mother
Sgt. Randy C. Dye (E) - son
Clerk Typist II Tiffany R. VanWinkle (E) - brother
Comm. Tech. Thomas R. Keene (E) - mother
CVE Insp. III Deborah K. Daniel (H) - father
Ret. Sgt. Greg D. Overfelt - mother
Ret. Sgt. Gary F. Baker - mother
Clerk Typist III Amanda L. Gove (Q/CJISD) - mother-in-law
Telecom. Ronald D. King (C) - son
Tpr. Mark D. Ritter (I) - mother

Asst. Chief Oper. Christopher R. Nicholson (H) - grandmother
Ret. Telecom. Beth A. Roush - mother
CVO Sprv. I Scott M. Suling (F) - mother-in-law
Sgt. Cory W. Craig (Q/DDCC) - grandmother
Capt. John J. Hotz (Q/PIED) - mother
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Comm. Oper. II Katie P. York (D) - grandfather
Tpr. Quentin R. McConkey (H) - grandfather
Asst. Chief Oper. Todd M. Cooper (D) - mother-in-law
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Tpr. Rachel A. Lawrence (B) - grandfather
Cpl. Kyle A. Green (F) - mother

46th Annual

Two-Person Scramble Golf Tournament Missouri State Highway Patrol Employees and Retirees

Redfield Golf Course — Eugene, MO
Monday, June 5, 2017

Location: Redfield Golf Course
Eugene, MO

U.S. Highway 54 at Missouri Highway 17
(15 miles south of Jefferson City)

Shotgun Start: 9 a.m.
Check-In Time: 7 a.m. – 8 a.m.

Entry Fee: \$65 Per Player
\$130 Per Team
(Includes Golf, Cart, Cash Prizes, and Meal)

Prizes: Hole-in-one, Hole Prizes, Longest Drives, Flight Prizes, and more!
(Flights and payout determined by number of team entries.)

Area Motel: Best Western (Jefferson City) — (573) 635-4175 *Event Group Rate Available*

Entry Form & Fee Due: May 26, 2017

Entry Form — 46th Annual MSHP Golf Tournament

Golfer 1 _____ Troop _____ Retiree _____

Golfer 2 _____ Troop _____ Retiree _____

Foursome Preference _____

E-mail for Entry Confirmation _____

Please make checks payable to: Hugh McKay, Tournament Organizer. Mail entry form and fee to retired Major Hugh McKay, 3008 Cottonstone Court, Jefferson City, MO 65109.
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