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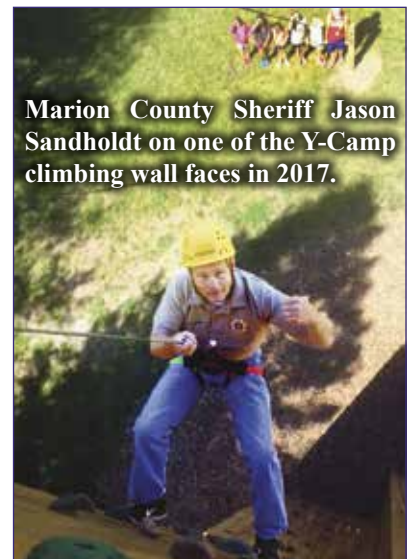
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Trooper Ted Benda Killed in Accident While Responding to Assist Clayton County Sheriff's Office with a Suspect

From the Iowa State Patrol: "The men and women of the Iowa State Patrol and Department of Public Safety are heartbroken to announce the loss of one of our own, Trooper Ted Benda ISP #313. Trooper Benda, 37, was involved in a single-vehicle crash on Thursday, October 14th while en route to assist the Clayton County Sheriff's Office with a wanted suspect. He succumbed to his injuries today, October 20, 2021.

"Trooper Benda joined the DCI in 2005, assigned to the Special Enforcement Operations Bureau in Marquette. He transferred to the State Patrol in 2016, assigned to District 8 in Mason City and most recently working out of the District 10 office in Oelwein. He is not only a valuable part of the Department of Public Safety, but was more importantly a loving husband, father, son, and brother. Trooper Benda leaves behind his wife, Holly, and their four young children along with many family, friends, and colleagues.

"Please keep the Benda family in your thoughts and prayers as they face this unimaginable loss.

"Rest in Peace, Trooper Benda...we have your six from here."

Obituary: Trooper Ted L. Benda, 37, of rural Decorah, Iowa, succumbed to his injuries on Wednesday, October 20, at Gundersen Lutheran Medical Center in La Crosse, WI, from an automobile accident while on duty with the Iowa State Patrol on Thursday, October 14th.

Public funeral services were held Wednesday, October 27th, at 11:00 a.m. at the Waukon High School with Fr. John Moser officiating. A private burial was held at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Waukon, and a public visitation was held from 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Waukon. Martin-Grau Funeral Home in Waukon handled arrangements. The service was live-streamed by KCRG from Cedar Rapids; please visit https://youtu.be/dZizTbuK_to to watch. In lieu of flowers, plants, and gifts, memorials can be directed to the Ted Benda memorial fund set up at



Freedom Bank in Waukon.

Theodore Lawrence Benda was born November 17, 1983, in Waukon, the son of Lawrence and Marsha (Welper) Benda. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Waukon, where he was a lifelong member. Ted attended St. Patrick's Elementary School and graduated from Waukon High School in 2002. As a child, Ted was a Boy Scout and had a morning newspaper route.

After graduating, Ted worked for a year at Carlson Construction of Decorah before attending Hawkeye Community College in Waterloo and receiving his degree in Criminal Justice. In December of 2005, he joined the 31st Basic Academy, assigned to the Special Enforcement Operations Bureau with DCI in Marquette.

In 2016, Ted transferred to the Iowa State Patrol District #8 in Mason City; during this time, Ted, his wife Holly, and their family resided in Hanlontown. This small, tight knit town became a big part of their lives as they always felt very loved and supported. In June of 2017, Ted then transferred to Patrol District #10 in Oelwein; Ted and Holly were happy to be moving back to the Northeast Iowa area, residing in rural Decorah.

Ted had married Holly Lyn Callahan on December 26, 2009, in a small family

gathering. They later had a formal wedding ceremony at St. Patrick Catholic Church, in Waukon, on November 13, 2010. They started their family and lived in Waukon for nine years before Ted joined the Iowa State Patrol. He was a current member of the Knights of Columbus.

After his family and work, Ted loved the outdoors. He enjoyed the simple things, like watching a gentle thunderstorm roll by or listening to the sound of crickets at night. He was an avid hunter and fisherman, always looking for an opportunity to go out, whether it was bow or shotgun season or looking for deer, turkey, pheasants, and mushrooms.

After his daughters grew older, Ted took them with him and taught them everything they would need to know.

He was very proud his daughters took an interest in hunting. He was not only a valuable part of the Department of Public Safety, but he was more importantly a loving husband, father, son, and brother. Even after Ted's death, he continued his public service through being an organ and tissue donor and will continue to live on in the lives of his recipients.

Ted is survived by his wife Holly of rural Decorah, four daughters: Madilyn (11), Avery (8), Vivyan (3), and Sylvia (3 weeks old); his parents Lawrence and Marsha Benda of Waukon; three brothers: Tim of Reedstown, WI, Tom (Jennifer) of Postville, and Travis (Ashley) of Waukon; father and mother-in-law Jim and Cindy Callahan of Lansing; sisters-in-law Heather (Todd) Corwin and Hannah (Jason) Steiber, both of Lansing; and nieces and nephews: Liam, Rose, Jason, and Clara Benda, Addison and Abigail Schnuelle, Lydia and Isabelle Corwin, and Delainee, Clayton, and Creed Steiber.

He was preceded in death by his sister Tanya Schnuelle in 2019, his grandparents, and other loved ones.

Honorary casket bearers were District #10 Troopers, Marquette DCI Agents, Ted's beloved friends, and the class of 2002. Casket bearers are the Iowa State Patrol Honor Guard.

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The Trifles vs. The Training

"Trivial matters" matter in this Association. Since our inception – and particularly since our merging of Sheriffs' and Deputies' together – our Association has consistently been challenged to represent the totality of our constituency in all things and in all ways. This year, this fact hit me straight between the eyes like a 2x4. When our Legislative Committee endorsed and helped secure an emailing of garnishment notices bill, I requested that a clause be added that enabled our agencies to know when actions were being taken by other sheriff's offices outside their jurisdiction. Those notices started going out July 1st (when the bill became law) and a firestorm followed. This bill did not change anything regarding garnishments being served in other counties... that practice has been in place for over 20 years. But now, when another sheriff's office is serving them in your jurisdiction they have to notify you that they are doing it.

This bill was intended to make serving garnishment notices easier for everyone across the state. By adding the notices to the bill, it was also intended to let you know when one was being done in your jurisdiction and perhaps allow you to pursue that work back. The reality of this work is quite simple: Larger counties are not "pilfering" work away from smaller counties, which I believe many would like to think. This is a matter of economics and free trade. Many of the larger law offices and debt collection agencies are located in the larger metro areas and they are likely doing work in all 99 counties. It is far easier for



Sheriff Tony Thompson
Black Hawk County

them to work through one county sheriff's office than all 99. So, for the past 20 years, this is the route that they have pursued. By now requiring sending out notices we now know the volume that it is (and has been) occurring.

I've put pencil to paper and tried to factor the amount of money that could be brought in if that work were to be brought back in-house and have determined that even in a county my size, it would not be cost effective to do so. The cost of additional staff to manage the work would outweigh the revenue gained, so for my county, knowing about it is just a "raising of our awareness." For others, that may not be true, but I would encourage you to do the math. Many have jumped to conclusions and made terrible assumptions, demeaning public assertions and outrageous claims regarding this civil work and that only serves

to drive our Association apart. This I cannot allow or be a party to. If your goal is to drive a wedge look elsewhere to do it. Our Association is strongest and proudest when we support a common goal, work cooperatively for solutions to issues, and find common ground when we find it is not possible to please everyone. This is the methodology your board is using to move this issue forward from here.

Finally, what I had hoped would be a year of transforming our training offerings has been overshadowed by issues such as garnishment notices... but, training continues to persist! I am arranging for an Iowa-specific open records, records retention, and records-redaction training that will travel around the state after the first of the year in partnership with Iowa Court Administration, the Iowa Public Information Board, and the Iowa Attorney General's Office. There will be more to come on this training as it becomes more formalized. We are also looking forward to hosting a February (Spring) Jails School in Des Moines and another traveling guest speaker in late spring, early summer.

Your Association is focused on making you and your agency better. In providing high quality training and opportunities that will continue to move the office of sheriff forward in a positive direction, we will continue to commit our genuine best efforts legislatively, educationally and training wise, and administratively to ensure that you can be justifiably proud of your Iowa State Sheriffs' and Deputies' Association and its leadership.

ISSDA Schools Schedule

Spring Civil School
in Des Moines at
Airport Holiday Inn
April 10-13, 2022
April 16-19, 2023
April 14-17, 2024

Spring Jail School
in Des Moines at
Airport Holiday Inn
Feb. 15-18, 2022

Fall Jail School
in Des Moines at
Airport Holiday Inn
Sept. 18-21, 2022
Sept. 19-22, 2023
Sept. 17-20, 2024

Winter School 2021
DM Airport Holiday Inn
Dec. 14-17, 2021
Dec. 04-07, 2022
Dec. 12-15, 2023
Dec. 03-06, 2024

ISSDA's Y-Camp Partnership Trains Some Deserving Kids in Youth Development, Healthy Living and Social Responsibility

Since approximately the mid 1970s, ISSDA has been associated with the Boone YMCA Camp. The ISSDA provides funding for kids from all Iowa counties that are eager to participate in this great endeavor, and sends them to camp each year. Our budget this past year in youth sponsorship at the camp was \$57,250, allowing us to send up to 125 youths. The funds come from our ISSDA Honorary Membership Program, and the sponsorship is a fantastic way to offer a child the chance to attend who would probably never have an opportunity due their family's financial situation. As a bonus, the program could be a valuable public relations prospect for participating sheriff's offices.

A few years ago, a few of us board members visited the Camp and saw for ourselves how worthwhile this ISSDA program is. We witnessed how the camp provides numerous activities to keep the kids involved and engaged the entire time they are there. All of us were impressed with the layout and the staff. The kids we spoke with were having the time of their lives -- thoroughly enjoying themselves.

The Boone YMCA Camp gives these kids the chance to meet others their age and make new friends while spending a week really enjoying themselves and learning new and different constructive activities.

The ISSDA encourages all sheriff's offices to actively recruit youth in your counties who would not normally be able



Capt. Randy Rowland
Linn County Sheriff's Office

to attend, through no fault of their own, due to their family's inability to provide the financial means to enable them to attend a camp. Networking with School Resource Officers, social service groups, medical centers and local law enforcement agencies are avenues to pursue in locating children who might not be able to attend such a camp, as well as through your own observation or when talking with people as you are out and about having coffee.

The ISSDA does not provide the transportation to and from the camp. Your Sheriff's Office would need to transport and pick up the youth, again providing valuable time engaging with them. From what I have heard over the years, this can be a very interesting and enjoyable trip just

listening to the kids and interacting with them in a different and positive way than you may have had to in the past, and an opportunity to spend some uninterrupted time with them. It can be a positive experience for all involved.

For 2022, the Y-Camp is scheduled for Sunday, June 19, through Saturday, June 25. For 2023 it is scheduled for Sunday, June 18, through Saturday, June 24. Check-in is usually set for early afternoon on Sunday and pick up time is normally on the following Saturday morning. Counties can coordinate with other counties to assist with drop-off and pick-up times.

Sponsoring this camp is just one of the many wonderful things the ISSDA is involved in. This one potentially gives ISSDA the opportunity to have a huge positive impact in a child's life in every county, and at the same time earn some great public relations points. Let's face it, law enforcement could use some good P.R. at this point in time! This past year only 45 counties were represented at Camp. I am positive that we all have deserving children within our counties that we could and should be sending to the Y-Camp. To have half of the counties in the state represented does us all a disservice as we try to make a positive impact with the future leaders of our counties/state/country. As a wise man by the name of Bill Sage once said, "For a Sheriff's Office not to participate is a good public relations moment lost."

Keep Iowa Beautiful's 12th Annual Photography Contest

The five categories are:

Iowa Landscape: Capture Iowa's beauty through depictions of Iowa's landscape, including but not limited to: farm fields, rolling hills, and wooded forests.

Iowa Water: Feature Iowa's beautiful water systems with depictions of Iowa rivers, streams, ponds and lakes.

Iowa Cities: Iowa's urban centers are hubs of history, culture, and beauty. This category features depictions of Iowa's cities, street scenes, and urban landmarks.

Iowans in Action: This category aims to capture the spirit of Iowa through depic-

tions of the people that live, work, and play in Iowa. All means of action that can be captured: biking, running, fishing, hunting and hiking are but a few.

Iowa Wildlife: Iowa is home to a variety of beautiful critters. This category aims to showcase Iowa's beauty through depictions of Iowa's wildlife animals: mammals, fish, birds, bugs and more!

The deadline to enter your photos is December 18, 2021. Each of the five categories will be awarded 1st place: \$100, 2nd place: \$75, and

3rd place: \$50.

From January 17th–31st, 2022, the five first-place winners will be featured on Keep Iowa Beautiful social media for voting and selection of the Public Favorite Photo. The Public Favorite Photo winner will receive an additional \$100. The Robert D. Ray Best of Show Awards, determined by a distinguished panel, will also be announced at that time. The Robert D. Ray Best of Show award amounts are as follows; 1st place: \$500, 2nd place: \$250 and 3rd place: \$100.

More information; <https://keepiowa-beautiful.org/photography-contest/>



What is ISSDA's "Return on Investment" (ROI) in Sponsoring Kids' Week at Y-Camp in Boone?

By Sheriff Jason Sandholdt
Marion County Sheriff's Office

(Reprinted from 2017) Hello, for those of you that don't know me, I am the Sheriff of Marion County serving in my second term. I feel I am a progressive Sheriff who is pretty conservative with money, whether it is my own or the budget for my office.

I look at numbers and often want to know what my return of investment (ROI) will be on many things. I sit on our Board of Directors, and a few months ago at a board meeting we had a discussion on our finances for ISSDA. The topic of the ISSDA Y-camp expenses came up, and I thought to myself, "Why in the heck are we spending \$55,000 a year on sending 125 kids to this camp for a week? Isn't there somewhere else we can spend that kind of money? What is our return on investment on this?"

So when President Lonny Pulkrabek threw out an invitation to go to the camp for a day to see what it is all about, I took him up on it. President Pulkrabek and I arrived at the camp at about 9 a.m. and met with Dave Sherry and Alex Kretzinger. You could tell through our conversation both of these men have a true passion for the camp and what it offers the kids. They explained the inner workings of the camp and its board members and what the camp facility does year round. I learned that there are numerous different camps that specialize in many different areas, including those kids with disabilities or unique medical conditions.

After our discussion in the main lodge we started our tour. We went by the riding stables where the kids learn the basics of horseback riding. They have a corral where the kids get familiar with the horses and the proper way to get on and off the horses. After they have a familiarized themselves with these skills they gradually are allowed to go for trail rides throughout the beautiful wooded property. And we looked at their resident owl and red-tailed hawk they use for interpretive programs.

Our next stop was the climbing wall. This was not your ordinary climbing wall. You can take stairs up the center of it to an observation deck and look down over the wall, which has

three sides of different skill levels to test the ability of the kids (and a middle age Sheriff). This gave the kids the chance to build their confidence and to work on team building. As one child was climbing, the other kids helped the counselors work the rope, providing a safety team. Once I caught my breath from the wall and high fived my teammates that didn't let me fall, we continued our tour over to the swimming pool.

The pool is beautiful with a slide and diving boards. We learned that the company that built the pool here had to bring the concrete in by train and was the same company that made



the huge pool at camp dodge. Dave said that this was a highlight for the kids on hot summer days, and by the smiles I would concur.

For those kids that were not quite as interested in the outdoor activities, our next stop was at the craft building where they were making wind chimes out of beads and shells. Next to it was a sling shot shooting gallery where President Pulkrabek had the opportunity to make some music by shooting stones at hanging cymbals, chimes, and pots and pans. Next to this there was a group of kids on stage "acting" out a theatrical performance including a shootout and real-looking death fall.

On our way to the next stop, Dave explained about the campfire stories and the activities that keep the kids busy at night, and we had a chance to stop by the local Bigfoot on our way to the archery range and BB gun shooting range.

The kids there were having a blast (like all of the kids we encountered) and we had a chance to ask them what their favorite part of camp was. What I found interesting was the variety of favorite activities the kids named. We continued to the pond, where the kids can canoe and fish. On our way back to the lodge for lunch, Dave and Alex showed us the rest of the property and explained some of their long-term goals and plans.

Lunch was my favorite part of our day. Not because of the hot dogs, but because I now had another chance to see the kids interact with each other and with the counselors. They laughed, chanted back and forth, sang along with songs being played on the radio and smiled like they didn't have a care in the world. I know the campers I sent this year, like many of you, have had some difficulties in their lives. I truly believe during that lunch most of those worries left those kids.

President Pulkrabek and I were called up front and thanked by all of the kids and staff for ISSDA's contributions. The applause and yelling must have gone on for a couple minutes, and it must have stirred up the dust in there because I am not ashamed to admit our eyes got a little watery. We saw the appreciation and thanks of what our contributions give

to these kids in the form of some of the biggest smiles I have ever seen. These kids didn't have to worry about anything other than what fun things they would get to do after lunch, and I am sure most of them had no clue what a "return on investment" even was. For me, this was the best ROI of \$440 I have seen in a long time and I hope you feel the same.

I plan on attending for a day again next year, and I encourage anyone who would like to experience it to contact me or President Pulkrabek. It would be well worth your time and it is definitely worth our money.

Iowa State Fair 2021 Was a Positive Experience for Both Fair Attendees and ISSDA Volunteers Who Staffed Our Booth

By Sheriff Dave McDaniel
Hardin County Sheriff's Office

First of all, we would like to thank all of the ISSDA members who took the time to sign up and work a shift/s at the Iowa State Fair. While we did not have every shift covered, this year we nearly achieved that goal. It truly takes our membership to make it a successful event each year.

Obviously, after missing the 2020 fair season, we were uncertain of what to expect, in terms of attendance, precautions etc. All in all, everything

seemed to go off without issue, and by all appearances everyone enjoyed themselves. Unfortunately, Beechies gum was a casualty of COVID and went out of business. However, there certainly was no shortage of inquiries about it.

This year we had the opportunity to take a little trip down memory lane, recognizing and paying homage to not only the history of the Iowa State Sheriffs' and Deputies' Association, but the Office of Sheriff as well. Sgt Jason LeMaster with the Pottawattamie County Sheriff's Office had several artifacts on display from the newly established

ISSDA West Museum. Former Hamilton County Sheriff Dennis Hagenson had his 'vintage' paddy wagon display, along with Hardin County's 1964 Ford Galaxy. There was a tremendous amount of interest in the various items, and a lot of dialogue regarding the history behind them.

If you had the opportunity to work a shift, you are well aware of the gratitude and respect shown to law enforcement personnel.

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Pottawattamie County Sheriff's Office Kicks Off Annual Cancer Awareness Campaign at CHI Health Mercy Hospital

By Sgt. J.W. LeMaster

Pottawattamie County Sheriff's Office

On September 29th, members of the Pottawattamie County Sheriff's Office attended the kickoff celebration and blessing for our annual cancer awareness campaign at CHI Health Mercy in Council Bluffs. We have partnered with the Oncology Department at Mercy Hospital for more than 10 years now, and have been fortunate enough to assist many patients who battled cancer. Over the years,



we have had several different designs and have featured pink ribbons and lavender ribbons. From its original concept, it was decided that any money raised would benefit patients of the Oncology Center at CHI Mercy Hospi-

tal. Although we do our campaign in October, which is typically Breast Cancer Awareness month, we have always supported anyone fighting any type of cancer. The lavender ribbon represents all cancers and is the theme that we chose to use again this year. Whether it's you personally, or a loved one... cancer affects us all in some form or another. To additionally help bring awareness, we have decided to have a patrol car wrapped to help spread the message that we are here for you and will support you in the fight against cancer.

ISSDA 2021 Jail School Featured Author/ Sheriff Mark Lamb on Safety/ Security Challenges, and SolutionPoint+ on Intervention Training

By Tiffany Mass, M.A., CJM

Pottawattamie County Jail Administrator

The ISSDA Board of Directors and the Jails Committee are pleased at the turnout for the September 2021 ISSDA Jail School. We can no longer call it the "Annual Jail School" because we will be adding a second ISSDA Jail School in February 2022. Efforts are being made to have the February 2022 Jail School mirror the September 2021 so that the same great information can be shared with more jail employees across the state.

In September, we welcomed Sheriff Mark Lamb of Pinal County Arizona and author of *American Sheriff: Traditional Values in a Modern World*. Sheriff Lamb discussed the TV show "60 Days In," and explained the safety and security challenges that made him want to host the show, what he learned from the show, and some of the safety and security changes that were made as a result. Sheriff Lamb also discussed safety challenges to being a county

on the country's southern border, including human trafficking and the increasing spread of fentanyl, which we are seeing in Iowa.

Laura Roan, of the Polk County Attorney's Office, discussed several topics and cases that are current legal challenges for jails. Legal issues for jails are constantly changing, so it is important to keep up on them and learn from what others are doing. As always, with any information presented on legal issues, it is important that your office leadership and/or your local county attorney determine what is best for your individual jail/county.

We also welcomed Joe Smarro and Jesse Trevino of SolutionPoint+, from Houston, Texas. SolutionPoint+ is the premier mental health and wellness training and consulting company in the nation. They specialize in crisis intervention training models that rely on collaborative partnerships within communities and aim for cultural change within law enforcement agencies. Their work focuses on individuals and prioritizes self-awareness,

self-care and introspection as structural components of their program. Both Joe and Jesse are USMC combat veterans and former Mental Health Police Officers.

Joe was featured in the HBO Documentary, "Ernie and Joe: Crisis Cops." Joe and Jesse love coming to Iowa and look forward to returning in February.

Thank you to all of the sheriffs who attended and allowed staff to attend Jail School, to all the attendees for your participation and attention during training, and thank you to all the participating vendors that continue to help make the ISSDA schools successful.

The February 2022 ISSDA Jail School will be at the Airport Holiday Inn February on 15-18, 2022. Note: this is a Wednesday-Friday class, beginning at 0800 Wednesday, February 16, 2022, and ending no later than 1 p.m. on Friday, February 18, 2022. The evening of February 15 will be similar to what you are used to seeing on Sunday evenings at previous jail schools. Mark your calendars!



Sheriff Mark Lamb



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The ISSDA Jail School Committee at the September 2021 Jail School.



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Retired U.S. Marshal Doug Strike Donates 1930 Ford Model A “Paddy Wagon” to ISSDA/ Squirrel Cage Jail Museum

By Sgt. J.W. LeMaster

Pottawattamie County Sheriff's Office

Thanks to a generous donation, and a few local historians, there will be a piece of law enforcement history that will soon be on display at the Squirrel Cage Jail Museum (ISSDA West Museum) in Council Bluffs.

This 1930 Ford Model A ‘Inmate Transport’ or ‘Paddy Wagon’ was donated to the Squirrel Cage Jail and will add to the mystery and uniqueness of the museum. It will help continue to tell the story of law enforcement and, of course, the Iowa State Sheriffs’ and Deputies’ Association.

Not only is this donation beautiful to look at, it also tells a story of years gone by. We will be able to explain to visitors how inmates were handled and transported back then and we will be able to show a comparison of how new ‘Transport Vans’ have changed in the last 90+ years of when it was used.

This donation was made possible because of two key people: Bill Sage and Doug Strike.

Bill Sage, as we all know, has been involved in law enforcement for many years and, unbeknownst to most of us, is somewhat a historian himself. Thank you Bill!

Doug Strike’s career is amazing in and



of itself. He was Chief of Police in Iowa Falls from 2001 to 2006 and served with the Chickasaw County Sheriff’s Office from 1977 to 2001, including 20 years as Chief Deputy. He is a past president of the Iowa State Sheriffs’ and Deputies’ Association. Most recently, Doug retired as U.S. Marshal of the Northern District of Iowa.

Doug’s love of law enforcement, and

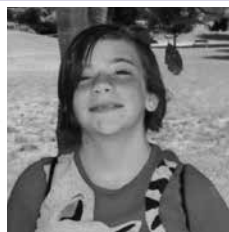
honestly in public safety as a whole, is evident when you meet with him and talk with him. I personally was proud of myself as a self-taught historian in the public safety field, but it was evident when I met with Doug in his home that I have much more to learn. Doug’s collection of artifacts and his eagerness to teach

and explain things was awe-inspiring.

Doug, we can’t thank you enough for this donation and can’t wait to start showing it off. I am excited to not only show it off locally, but we would love to have it on display at a future State Fair so that more of the public can see and appreciate its beauty. We are already working out details for upcoming events that will highlight the ISSDA from the past to the present, and to wherever the future may lead.

Retired U.S. Marshal Doug Strike talks about his paddy wagon: “I purchased the rig in 2011. It came out of New Jersey and it was known as a ‘husker truck’ used for delivering fruits and veggies. It soon started to take on the look of a paddy wagon with the help of my son-in-law, Andy Toomer. He is a top notch welder and made the cage for it. Also helping was my son, Andy Strike. The chase was on to locate a period correct siren, red light and spot light. When this was done, it was off to parades and car shows. Also helped several sheriffs’ campaigns for re-election. Now it has a new home and I am happy that it will get more exposure than I could give it, having fallen on some health issues. I look forward to seeing it from time to time and I know it was the right thing for me to do.”

Letters of Thanks from Sheriffs’ & Deputies’ Y-Campers



FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
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DEAR SHERIFF,

Thank you for bringing me to Y camp. I have done ziplining, fishing and the rock wall. I caught a fish today! Last night we did a dance on stage and saw Aunt Fifi. Today we are going home back riding!

From Frances

Sunnyside Cabin

Jackson County Sheriff's Office Hires Three Deputies: Melissa Schmidt, Scott Heiar and Thomas Allen

The Jackson County Sheriff's Office has hired three new deputy sheriffs.

Deputy Melissa Schmidt is a 13-year veteran police officer who served Bellevue, Preston, and Sabula Police Departments.



Previously, she had been the Chief of Police for Preston and Sabula. Schmidt took a break from law enforcement and taught alternative high school for 13 years in Clinton and Goose Lake. Most recently, she has worked the last four years for the Bellevue P.D. Deputy Schmidt is also a nationally registered paramedic who works for Paramount EMS and Bellevue EMS. She is a graduate of the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy, Mount Saint Clare College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in education, and is a graduate of NICC's Paramedic program. In her free time, Schmidt is an avid SCUBA diver who recently completed

her Rescue Diver Certification. She is happily married to Dan and has six children.

Deputy Schmidt is looking forward to serving the citizens of Jackson County as a Jackson County Sheriff's Deputy. She is also the first female deputy Jackson County has ever hired, and she will be graduating Oct 29th with our new K-9, BonO.

Deputy Scott Heiar is the son of Roger and Lou Ann Heiar. Scott grew up in the rural Bellevue area, attended Bellevue Community School, and graduated in 2006.



Afterwards, he attended the University of Dubuque and graduated in 2010 with a Bachelor of Art in criminal justice.

Scott started his law enforcement career in Preston when he was hired part time in 2010. From 2012 to 2014, Scott worked at the Clinton County Sheriff's Office as a correctional officer in the jail, while continuing as a part-time officer for the City of Preston until 2014, when he accepted a full-time position with them. In 2015, Scott was also hired as a part-time Deputy with the Jackson County Sheriff's Office, where he filled in whenever needed.

Scott has served the citizens of Preston as the Chief of Police for the last six years. Scott accomplished his career goal

of becoming a full-time deputy this month through his determination, hard work and willingness to cover numerous hours for the Sheriff's Office. Scott would like to express his appreciation to both retired Sheriff Russ Kettmann and newly elected Sheriff Brent Kilburg. Both Sheriffs collaborated during their transition phase to hire Scott to ensure the citizens of Jackson County maintained the level of coverage they deserve in light of some retirements that needed replacing when Sheriff Kilburg took office at the beginning of January.

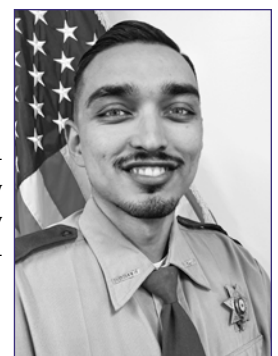
Deputy Thomas Allen (TJ) and his wife are originally from the Maquoketa area. He received his Associate of Arts Degree in criminal justice from Clinton Community College, and his law enforcement certification through the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy. In his first five years of law enforcement, he has been a member of the Special Response Team (SRT), Crisis Intervention Team (CIT), was a Field Training Officer (FTO) and has been trained in a multitude of other law enforcement areas. Outside of work, he enjoys riding his family's side-by-side and spending time with family and friends.



Henry County Sheriff's Office Hires Arturo Perez-Tafolla as Deputy Sheriff

Arturo Perez-Tafolla was hired as a deputy sheriff by the Henry County Sheriff's Office on August 30. Deputy Perez-Tafolla grew up and graduated high school in Washington, Iowa. He served in the Iowa Army National Guard, and worked for Iowa

Department of Corrections and the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, as a correctional officer. Deputy Perez-Tafolla put himself through the Missouri Law Enforcement Academy, and then worked at the Moniteau County Sheriff's Office in California, Missouri.



Deputy Presented Life Saving Award

Johnson County Deputy Austin Jiras and Solon Fire Department Save Three Lives in Carbon Monoxide Poisoning Call

By Detective Sgt. Alissa Schuerer
Public Information Officer
Johnston County Sheriff's Office

On April 16, 2021, at 5:29 a.m., Deputy Austin Jiras responded to 1824 Racine Ave N.E. in Solon for a report of three individuals who were overcome by carbon monoxide poisoning.

When Deputy Jiras arrived and attempted to enter the home, he was met with a powerful odor of natural gas. Recognizing the dangerous environment inside the home, he returned to his squad car and donned an air pack. Deputy Jiras, who is also a member of the Williamsburg Volunteer Fire Department, is trained to wear an



Deputy Austin Jiras with his Award.

air pack and keeps a spare pack in his patrol car.

Deputy Jiras entered the home, where he first assisted the male caller to get outside. He then returned inside and located an incoherent female in the living room and assisted her outside. By this time Solon Fire Department arrived, and Deputy Jiras and Solon Fire Fighters reentered the home and removed an unconscious female from the third floor.

All three of the victims were transported to the hospital and have fully recovered. There is no doubt that Deputy Jiras' readiness, quick actions and remarkable courage were instrumental in saving the lives of these citizens. Deputy Jiras was presented a Life Saving Award by Johnson County Sheriff Brad Kunkel.

Linn County Deputies Oltmann, Steines and Patterson Earn Medals of Merit for Intervening/ Saving a Suicidal Person's Life

During the late evening hours of July 25, the Linn County Sheriff's Office received a call from a motorist advising of a teenager sitting on the Highway #13 railroad bridge south of Central City.

The motorist informed the call taker the teenager seemed very distressed. Deputies Elliott Patterson, Derek Steines, and Matt Oltmann were dispatched to the call. Given the circumstances of the call and having dealt with a similar situation recently, Deputies Steines and Oltmann believed this could be the same teen and passed this information along to Deputy Patterson so that he could more easily make a connection with the teenager.

When Deputy Patterson arrived on scene four minutes later, he observed the teenager straddling the railroad bridge guardrail and noticed what appeared to be a utility knife in one hand. Deputy Patterson also observed the teenager had injuries to his leg that appear to be self-inflicted from the knife.

Deputy Patterson attempted to calmly engage the teenager in conversation, but was unsuccessful. The teenager adjusted his position and placed both legs over the edge of the bridge, sitting on the guardrail over the railroad tracks with his back to the

roadway. Fearful how this incident might end, medical personnel were summoned to stage nearby. When Deputies Steines and Deputy Oltmann arrived on scene shortly thereafter, they also tried to engage the teenager in conversation since they had

Patterson continued to talk to the teenager as a distraction, while Deputies Steines and Oltmann moved in close enough to allow them to grab onto the teenager, remove him from the guardrail, and direct him onto the bridge surface. Deputy Patterson also helped control the teenager, who was actively resisting. After a few seconds, the deputies were able to gain control of the teenager, place him in restraints, and call for the waiting medical crew to assess and treat his injuries. The teenager was then transported to a local hospital for a mental health evaluation and treatment.



Deputies Matt Oltmann, Elliot Patterson, and Derek Steines.

dealt with him before.

The deputies all continued to try to make a connection with the teenager, but he refused to listen, saying his life was not worth living and he wanted to end it all. The deputies talked with the teen for more than 30 minutes, but were unable to make much progress. Concerned about what he might do, Deputy Patterson convinced the teenager to drop the knife, and he began to crying uncontrollably. The deputies took the opportunity to move closer and Deputy

If it were not for these deputies teaming up and patiently and successfully working together, this teenager might have succeeded in taking his own life. Because of their actions, it is now possible for the teenager to get the help he so desperately needs, and Sheriff Brian Gardner presented Deputies Elliott Patterson, Derek Steines, and Matt Oltmann with Medal of Merit commendation awards for their successful intervention with a suicidal individual on July 25, 2021.

Deputy Kent Gries Presented INOA Medal of Valor; Matt Losee Hired as Deputy; Two Dual-Purpose K-9s Added

In December of 2020, Sheriff Marty Arganbright hired Matt Losee. Deputy Losee is a native of Waukee, and graduated from Waukee High School in 2002. Prior to his employment with the Guthrie County Sheriff's Office, Deputy Losee was employed by the Polk County Sheriff's Office for nine years as a jailer.

After being hired, Deputy Losee successfully completed training at the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy and graduated in August 2021 as part of the 297th academy class. Deputy Losee has successfully completed his field training program and has already become a valued member of the Guthrie County Sheriff's Office.

Deputy Losee, his wife and two children reside in Panora.



Chief Deputy Jeremy Bennett (L), Deputy Matt Losee, and Sheriff Marty Arganbright (right).

Guthrie County Purchases Two Dual-Purpose K-9s

The Guthrie County Sheriff's Office recently purchased two dual-purpose K-9s in the fall of 2020. Sheriff Arganbright purchased the K-9's from Blue Streak K-9 out of Jonesboro, Arkansas.

K-9 Urs has been partnered with Deputy Shane Jones; K-9 Dart has been partnered with Deputy Matt Harmann. Both K-9's and their deputy partners were certified in December of 2020.

The highly trained dogs have greatly assisted the Guthrie County Sheriff's Office in removing illegal controlled substances from Guthrie County.

The K-9 program has been funded by

charitable contributions from citizens and local organizations. The list of donors is too numerous to enumerate. The Guthrie County Sheriff's Office would like to express their sincerest gratitude to the donors who make the K-9 program possible.

Deputy Gries Awarded Iowa Narcotics Officers' Association (INOA) Medal of Valor

On June 16th, Guthrie County Deputy Kent Gries, a 15-year veteran of law enforcement, was awarded the Medal of Valor during the 16th annual Iowa Narcotics Officers' Association Conference held in West Des Moines.

The citation on the Medal of Valor reads, **Deputy Shane Jones with K-9 Urs (left) and Deputy Matt Harmann with K-9 Dart.** "The INOA Medal of Valor is awarded to you (Deputy Gries) for your act of extraordinary bravery and heroism performed in the line of duty during an exchange of gunfire and subsequent arrest of Randall Comly in Stuart, Iowa, on October 17th, 2019. You, along with other law enforcement personnel, went well above and beyond the call of duty in your acts of bravery, displaying a tremendous amount of courage while knowingly facing imminent danger." Signed J. Douglas Hurly, INOA President.

Deputy Gries was awarded the Medal of Valor for his part in the apprehension of a violent life-long criminal, Randall Comly. Deputy Gries and three other law enforcement officers were searching an apartment attempting to locate Comly on Clarke County arrest warrants. Comly opened fire on Deputy Gries and other officers at close range while springing from a closet. Deputy Gries and Officer DeFrancisco of the Stuart Police Department immediately returned fire on Comly, disabling him and stopped him from attempting to murder the

four-officer team.

Comly later surrendered to Iowa State Patrol negotiators. Randall Comly was sentenced to 40 years in federal prison in the fall of 2020.



Deputy Shane Jones with K-9 Urs (left) and Deputy Matt Harmann with K-9 Dart.



(l to r) Deputy Taylor Wheatley, Deputy Todd Thorn, Deputy Kent Gries with award, Sheriff Marty Arganbright, and Deputy Blake Michelsen.



Jerry Wilbur Street

Served in U.S. Army for Three Years, and as Sheriff of Wayne County from 1981- 1986

Jerry Wilbur Street of Corydon, Iowa, passed away on September 4 at age 78. He was born on April 4, 1943, at home in Humeston, Iowa, to Ralph and Arlene Street. He graduated from Morman Trail High School with the class of 1961, and earned a two-year degree from Des Moines Area Community College.

Jerry was united in marriage with Barbara Irene Rockhold on Nov. 1, 1963. Their daughter Lisa Rae was born on April 11, 1965, and Tina Marie arrived on Oct. 18, 1968. Jerry was baptized alongside his two daughters on June 27, 1976, at the Lineville Methodist Church.

Jerry proudly served our country in the United States Army for three years. Two of those years were spent in Germany. After serving his country, Jerry spent many years in law enforcement. In his retirement years, he spent time working for his great friend, Kevin Cline, on his farm.

Jerry was a member of the Corydon and Humeston golf courses. He loved golfing and was very competitive. Jerry also loved hunting



and spent many years at his in-laws hunting with family. He also loved attending sporting events, especially to watch his daughter and grandchildren in all of their activities. The referees and umpires of the games always knew when Jerry was in attendance.

Jerry is survived by his wife of 58 years, Barb (Rockhold) Street of Corydon, sister Nancy Caster of Humeston, brother Donald Street of Humeston, brother Roger Street (Becky) of San Angelo, TX, brother-in-law Charles

Rockhold (Barb) of Mercer, MO, brother-in-law Cliff Rockhold (Peg) of Camdenton, MO, sister-in-law Teri Caldwell (Stan) of Carlisle, daughter Tina Ewing (Jeff) of Pella, grandson Travis Ewing (Abby) of Russell, granddaughter Shannon "Sweet Pea" Van Wyk (Jacob) of Otley, grandson Nicholas Loew of Corydon, great granddaughter Raylynn Van Wyk of Otley, great-grandson Thompson Ewing of Russell, and a whole host of cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ralph and Arlene (Reed) Street, in-laws Ray and Wilma Rockhold, brother-in-law Ray Caster, sister-in-law Nancy Rockhold and daughter Lisa Loew.

His funeral service was September 14 at Thomas Funeral Home in Corydon, with Pastor Diane Olson Schroeder and Carlos Paugh officiating. Interment was at the Evergreen Cemetery in Lineville.

Visitation was September 13 with family present. Memorials may be sent to the family.

Linn Co. Deputy Will Halverson Receives Purple Heart Commendation Award After Being Shot Multiple Times Responding to Robbery

Late on June 20, Deputy William Halverson responded to an alarm at the Casey's General Store on Highway 13 in Coggon. Deputy Halverson arrived within minutes, and advised the communications center he parked his patrol car behind a van on the north side of the building. As Deputy Halverson entered the front door, he was met by the suspect exiting the building. Deputy Halverson reached for the suspect's right arm with his left hand while trying to get his service weapon with his right. Before Deputy Halverson was able to draw his weapon, the suspect fired his weapon, striking Deputy Halverson multiple times. While some of the rounds struck Deputy Halverson in the panels of his ballistic vest, several rounds struck him in the unprotected areas of his abdomen and lower extremities, causing serious and debilitating injuries.

While Deputy Halverson lay on the floor semi-conscious, the suspect disarmed him and fled the area in his van. Although seriously injured, Deputy Halverson activated the emergency declaration button on his portable radio, letting other responding deputies know he was



Deputy Will Halverson & Sheriff Gardner.

down. Deputy Halverson said he had been shot multiple times and described his attacker.

Other deputies and emergency responders arrived, controlled the bleeding and provided him with advanced medical care. Deputy Halverson was transported to the University of Iowa Hospital and Clinics (UIHC) by air

ambulance. Other deputies located the suspect vehicle and gave pursuit. The suspect crashed his van and fled on foot, and the area was secured with the help of numerous law enforcement agencies from throughout eastern Iowa. The suspect was located the next morning and taken into custody. He was charged with Robbery 1st Degree X 2, Attempt to Commit Murder, Assault – Willful Injury, False Imprisonment X 2, Disarming a Peace Officer, Trafficking in Stolen Weapons, Felony Eluding, and Possession of a Firearm as a Felon and was held on a \$2.5 million bond.

Deputy Halverson remained at UIHC for eight days, was transferred to a local hospital for rehabilitation, and released 11 days later. Only four months after the incident, Deputy Halverson returned to work on a part-time basis and continues to recover from his injuries. On October 26, Linn Co. Sheriff Brian Gardner presented Deputy William Halverson the Purple Heart commendation award due to him being shot multiple times and critically injured in the line of duty by a person intending to inflict serious injury or death upon him.

Chris Scott Named Jail Admin.; Deputies Klein & Englehardt Retire; Riley Doeppke & Eric Van Horne Hired; Mary Barnhart Promoted to Dispatcher/ Jailer

By Sheriff Mike Tschirgi
Clayton County Sheriff's Office

We have some new faces at the Clayton County Sheriff's Office as of late, and some we have said goodbye to.

Our Jail Administrator, Chad Werger, has left the Sheriff's Office to pursue his dream. Chad worked at our office for 16-½ years.

He did a lot for our Office over the years, overseeing dispatch/ jail, work stations and also took on the addition of being the 911 Coordinator for Clayton County.

Dispatcher/Jailer Chris Scott has since been promoted to the Jail Administrator



New Jail Administrator Chris Scott.



New Dispatcher/ Jailer Macey Barnhart (left), and new Clayton County Sheriff's Office Deputies Riley Doeppke and Eric Van Horn.

position at our Office. Chris is from the Guttenberg area and has worked for our Office since 2015. I believe he will be a great asset. Macey Barnhart of Colesburg has been hired to replace Chris at dispatch/jail. Macey is currently finishing up her bachelor degree at the University of Dubuque.

Deputies Randy Klein and Tim Englehardt have retired from the Office. We have since hired Riley Doeppke, who worked for the Monona Police Department, and

Eric Van Horn, of Cedar Falls. Eric used to work in this area. Both deputies are certified and ready for the road.

We are currently running ads for a future open position with the Sheriff's Office as dispatcher/jailer. If you would like to join our team, please visit our website at claytoncountyiowasheriff.com.

If you have any questions, or comments, feel free to contact me anytime, e-mail me, or stop by to see me.

Law Enforcement Support Group "SOS" Makes Large Donation to Webster County Sheriff's Office

By Sheriff Luke M. Fleener
Webster County Sheriff's office

At the right is a photograph from September of this year. Our local non-profit "Serving Our Servants" (SOS) raised funds to purchase everyone in our Office class A dress hats – approximately \$4,000 dollars.

This SOS group was founded by the late Pastor Al Henderson in 2019 to show support for local first responders. At that time, Pastor Henderson was serving as our local police chaplain and became a valued member of our law enforcement community

Tragically, he was murdered at his church in late 2019. Pastor Henderson's

support of first responders still lives on in the current group of citizens, who routinely provide support services for local first responders. The current SOS organization has about 60 members and they are currently lead by T.J. Pingel, a longtime family friend of the Henderson's. The Webster County Sheriff's Office was extremely grateful for the purchase of the class A

dress hats for our Deputies. Thank You!



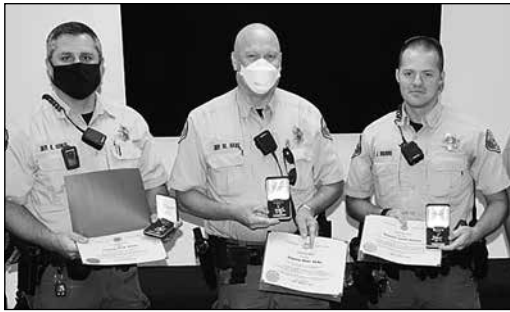
Polk County Sheriff's Office News

By Admin. Asst. Monique Rodriguez
Polk County Sheriff's Office

The following are some of the Polk County Sheriff's Office awards, hosted events, community events and parades, new hires, and promotions that have taken place over the last few months.

MAJOR EVENTS

- Sheriff Kevin J Schneider was recognized for 40 years of service with the PCSO;
- New Patrol Headquarters to open in the next few weeks.



Lifesaving Award recipients: Deputies Jarred Mumm, Mike Hake and Kurt White.

LIFESAVING AWARD

- Sergeant Bill Matzdorff was awarded a Lifesaving award for his actions on January 15, 2021.
- Deputy Jarred Mumm was awarded a Lifesaving Medal for his actions on January 15, 2021.
- Deputies Devan Cahill and Jacob Capelle were awarded a Lifesaving Medal for his actions on February 5, 2021.
- Deputies Donald Kay, Kirsten Nystrom, and Mitch Turner were awarded a Lifesaving Medal for his actions on February 19, 2021.
- Communications Specialist Maggie Brodeur was awarded a Lifesaving Medal for her actions on April 22, 2021.
- Deputies Mike Hake and Kurt White were awarded a Lifesaving Medal for their actions on June 24, 2021.
- Sergeant Anthony Ferlitsch was awarded a Lifesaving Medal for his actions at the Dam to DSM race on August 28, 2021.
- Citizen Lifesaving Award ceremony to recognize Kimberly and Russell Lawrence and John Wilson for their actions on February 18, 2020 (delayed event due to Covid restrictions)

HOSTED EVENTS

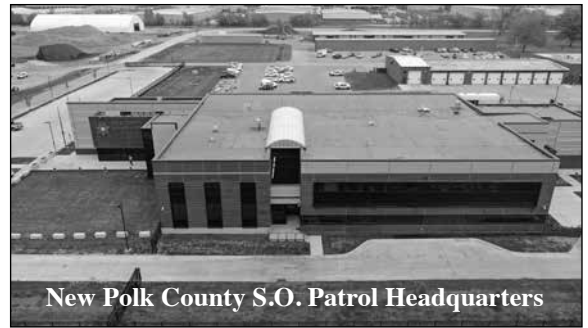
- Des Moines Refugee Support Golf Outing Summer Program
- Elkhart Bicycle Helmet Safety
- Safety City at Elkhart Fire Department Annual Hog Roast
- Grimes Safety City
- Bondurant Safety Village
- Coffee with the PCSO at Polk County Senior Centers

COMMUNITY OUTREACH/ EVENTS

- IACP-TV
- PCSO Senior Lunch Distribution
- Governor's Day Kiddie & Grand Parades – Johnston
- Bondurant Summerfest Parade
- With Dignity & Honor Unclaimed Veterans Service Procession – West Des Moines
- Green Days Parade – Johnston
- Elkhart City Festival Parade
- Urbandale Strong Always Parade
- West Des Moines Independence Day Parade
- PCSO recognized as "All-Star Iowans" at the Drake Character Counts Event
- Iowa State Fair Parade
- Meals from the Heartland
- NAMI Walks Your Way Iowa – Johnston
- Grimes Appreciation Luncheon
- Faith at Work Luncheon

PROMOTIONS

- Chief Deputy Robert Stanton
- Chief Ken Pilch
- Captain Brandon Bracelin
- Captain Mark Mohr
- Captain Matt Mertens
- Lieutenant Ryan Evens
- Lieutenant Trevor Barber



New Polk County S.O. Patrol Headquarters

- Sergeant Wade Jackson
- Sergeant Angela Wong
- Sergeant Matthew York
- Detective Jamie Aiken
- Detective Haleigh Rees
- Deputy Preston Hoyt
- Deputy Brian Kopf
- Detention Facility Superintendent Joshua Jacquin
- Detention Supervisor Nicholas Brooks
- Detention Supervisor Brett Hughes
- Utility Response Team Joshua Black
- Public Safety Communications Supervisor Travis Bell
- Public Safety Communications Manager Nick Brockman

NEW HIRES

- Chief Steven Hoffman
- Deputy Sarah Barber
- Deputy Javier Cortez
- Deputy Joshua Cronin
- Deputy Jason Ferguson
- Deputy Preston Hoyt
- Deputy Brandon Hull
- Deputy DaeJohn Love
- Deputy Trevor Martin
- Deputy Carlos Patino
- Deputy Amos Purcell
- Deputy Chad Van Lennep
- Deputy Andrew Walles
- Deputy Mark Vandeverter – Metro STAR Dive Team



The Polk County Sheriff's Office held its first "PCSO Safety Village" in Bondurant on August 7 in the Bondurant-Farrar Middle School parking lot to encourage interaction and shared education. Kids received a check mark at each booth they visited, and with at least five check marks could receive a gift at the PCSO booth. Free popsicles were given to kids and coffee for adults.

Retired Johnson County Sheriff/ ISSDA Past-President Lonny Pulkrabek Presented Iowa State Assn. of Counties Golden Eagle

By Brian D. Gardner

Linn County Sheriff

During the general session meeting held during its recent annual conference, the Iowa State Association of Counties (ISAC) presented retired Johnson County Sheriff Lonny Pulkrabek with the ISAC Gold Eagle.

Sheriff Pulkrabek worked 35 years with the Johnson County Sheriff's Office, including serving four terms as Sheriff just prior to retiring at the end of last year. His dependability, initiative, and nobility earned him the respect of both the citizens he served and other law enforcement professionals.

Specifically, his tenure's accomplishments in mental health diversion and jail alternatives are used as models throughout the United States. As a long-time member and 2017 president of the Iowa State Sheriffs' and Deputies' Association (ISSDA), Lonny worked closely on legislative issues that positively impacted public safety, including enhancing texting and distracted driving laws, and prioritizing funding for 911 public safety answering points. Lonny was a long-time member of the ISAC Board of Directors and President in 2018.

From his first day on the Board, he was a strong proponent and cheerleader for ISAC, encouraging County employees across the state to participate in the Association's functions and fundraising efforts. During his time in County government, Lonny visibly cared deeply about people and found ways to bring them together for the greater good. This was true in his County, law enforcement, ISSDA, ISAC, and beyond.

Since 2010, ISAC has annually honored one individual as an ISAC Golden Eagle, which was created to recognize and honor individuals who have provided extraordinary public service to county government through ISAC and/or the National Association of Counties (NACo). Golden Eagle Honorees are selected from nominations submitted to the ISAC Golden Eagle Committee, which consists of board and staff members. The Committee then submits its recommendations to the ISAC Board for approval. Eligible nominees include



Left to right: ISAC President Carla Becker (Delaware County Auditor), Retired Johnson County Sheriff Lonny Pulkrabek, ISAC 2nd Vice-President Brian Gardner (Linn County Sheriff), and ISAC Executive Director Bill Peterson.

current or former elected and appointed county officials, business or civic leaders, ISAC preferred vendors, persons providing assistance to counties as trainers, consultants or advisors, and former members of ISAC staff. Current ISAC board members and staff are not eligible for nomination.

Golden Eagle honorees are selected on the basis of their service to county government through ISAC and/or NACo, including leadership in ISAC and ISAC-affiliated boards, NACo service, service on state or national boards or commissions, service to counties in training, education and development of local leadership, advocacy for counties and good local government, and assistance and support to counties.

Letters of Thanks from Kids Who Attended Sheriffs' & Deputies' Y-Camp 2021



FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
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Dear Sheriff,

Thanks for bringing me to camp!

I pretty much had the best week.

We got to go zip lining and it was so much fun! My leader

Tim was really cool too and taught us Kendama.

Thank you!

-Drayson

Crazy Horse Cabin