



Illinois Conservation Police Bi-Weekly Report



Vision Statement: As vigilant guardians we will protect the citizens and natural resources of Illinois.

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(Weeks of March 13 – March 28)

This report represents some events the OLE handled over the last couple of weeks; however, it does not include all actions taken by the Office of Law Enforcement.

REGION 1 – Captain Laura Petreikis

District 1 – Sgt. T. Petreikis

(Counties: Carroll, Henry, JoDaviess, Lee, Mercer, Ogle, Rock Island, Stephenson & Whiteside)

ROCK ISLAND COUNTY

CPO Francisko has been checking multiple fishermen and boaters along the Rock and Mississippi Rivers. Multiple written warnings for various violations were issued.

STEPHENSON COUNTY

While patrolling Lake Le-Aqua-Na State Park, CPO Hoogerwerf observed a vehicle parked in the parking lot across from the main shelter building. The same vehicle was reported by park staff as suspicious on a previous day as it was parked and occupied for over 8 hours. A white, male subject was sitting in the driver’s seat, slumped over, hands clasped together resting on his lap and his feet resting on the passenger seat. There was no movement or response from the subject after continued knocking on both the driver and passenger side windows. Medical personnel were requested. After opening the driver’s side door the subject was lightly shaken and woke up. The subject stated that he was “very tired and hadn’t slept in a couple of days.” He appeared slow and confused and agreed to being checked by medical personnel. After being cleared by medical personnel he admitted to driving to the park on a suspended driver’s license. He was placed under arrest for driving while suspended and lodged at the Stephenson County Jail.

District 6 – Vacant

(Counties: Boone, Bureau, DeKalb, LaSalle, Putnam & Winnebago)

DEKALB COUNTY

CPO MURRY responded to the Shabbona Lake State Park of two individuals drinking alcohol and shooting pellet guns in the camp ground. Alcohol is banned in the camp ground, and BB/Pellet guns are banned in state parks. Upon arrival CPO Murry spoke to the individuals and observed two Pellet Guns, many items of alcohol, as well as drug paraphernalia with burnt cannabis. CPO Murry also located cannabis on each individual. Both individuals were cited for unlawful possession of cannabis, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, unlawful possession of alcohol in a restricted area, and unlawful possession or weapons in the state park.

LASALLE COUNTY

CPO Filipiak was on numerous foot patrols at Starved Rock, Buffalo Rock and Matthiessen State Parks :
34 individuals were issued citations for climbing the sides of canyon walls and entering restricted areas at the state parks
3 individuals were issued citations for remaining in an area which had closed
6 individuals were issued citations for possession of alcohol on the trails at the state parks
3 individuals were arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia
3 individuals were arrested for possession of cannabis
1 individual was arrested for possession of more than 10gr of cannabis but less than 30gr of cannabis
1 individual attempted to out run CPO Filipiak. The individual was able to elude arrest for approximately one hour. The individual was later identified and led officers on another foot pursuit leading to his capture. The individual was arrested for obstructing or resisting a peace officer, possession of cannabis.

CPO Filipiak was on numerous sport fishing checks which lead to:
4 individuals were issued citations for fishing with no valid fishing license
1 individual was issued a citation for a short largemouth bass

CPO Jansen conducted several foot patrols in on the Starved Rock and Matthiessen State Park Trails resulting in three subjects being arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of cannabis < 2.5 grams. Several additional citations were issued for entering a restricted area.

PUTNAM COUNTY

CPO Finn received the disposition on a deer hunting case where a Marshall County man had illegally taken a deer from the road. The hunter received seven citations at the time of the incident. The hunter was found guilty of three of the violations and was ordered to pay \$4000 and will lose his hunting privileges for 15 months.

District 7, Sgt. Scott Avery

(Counties: Fulton, Henderson, Knox, Marshall, McDonough, Peoria, Stark, Tazewell, Warren & Woodford)

FULTON COUNTY

Sgt. Avery, CPO VanZant and CPO Lazzell responded to a fatal boat accident occurring on a private lake near Mapleton. A father and son were fishing from a 9 ft two person fishing boat when their fishing line became tangled in the propeller of their trolling motor. While attempting to remove the fishing line from the propeller the boat capsized, ejecting both men into the lake. The father was unable to swim safely to shore and was recovered by the Illinois Conservation Police with assistance from Peoria County Sheriff's Department and Timber Hollis Fire and Rescue.

CPO Gerard completed a lengthy deer investigation centering around a resident harvesting three deer this past hunting season. The subject did not have a hunting license, habitat stamp, or deer permits. In addition, the subject was selling the deer meat. Multiple citations were issued.

KNOX COUNTY

CPO Lazzell investigated a complaint of a Knox County hunter unlawfully using the deer permit of another hunter during the 2015 Firearm Deer Season. Upon completion of the investigation the hunter was cited for failure to properly tag the deer immediately upon kill and failure to report the deer on the day of the harvest. Five written warnings were issued for additional violations.

PEORIA COUNTY

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TAZEWELL COUNTY

CPO VanZant investigated a deer permit complaint from the 2015 hunting season. Upon interviewing a subject a confession was given. Officer VanZant has been working on this for several years with the complaint being the missing piece that enabled the case to be made. A subject was issued citations for: fraudulent use of deer permit, failure to tag deer, failure to report harvest, illegal take of deer, and illegal take of more than two bucks.

CPO VanZant cited 5 subjects at Powerton Lake for being in the restricted area.

CPO VanZant cited a subject for illegal take of more than three striped bass over 17".

REGION 2 – Captain Brett Scroggins

District 2 – Sgt. Rich Riedel (Counties: Kane, Lake & McHenry)

LAKE COUNTY

CPO Wagner, while conducting boat sport fish enforcement on Long Lake, issued a citation for insufficient PFD's.

CPO Wagner while conducting sport fish enforcement on Antioch Lake issued a citation for insufficient PFD's.

CPO Wagner, while conducting sport fish enforcement, issued a citation for fishing without valid sport fishing license.

CPO Wagner, while on patrol, noticed an individual weaving in and out of traffic at a high rate of speed. He initiated a traffic stop and found the individual's registration was also expired. The individual was issued a citation for expired registration and written warnings for speeding and improper lane usage.

CPO Wagner, while conducting sport fish enforcement, issued a citation to kayaker for no wearable PFD.

CPO Wagner also issued 13 written warnings for various boat and sport fish violations.

CPO Davis and Sergeant Riedel conducted retail aquatic life dealer license inspections on three markets. They were issued written warnings and got into compliance.

CPO VanWiltburg received a complaint from Lake County Animal Control regarding a dog caught in a leg hold trap. CPO Kelley and VanWiltburg went to the address in question and spoke with the dog owner who showed us where the dog was caught. One rusty, untagged leg hold trap was found staked in the ground, near some exposed bait (fish). There was also a tree stand within 15 yards of the trap along with a deer attractant. The CPOs also found two additional (dog proof) raccoon traps, one which was not tagged. The violator was contacted and was cooperative. He received one citation for trapping out of season and several written warnings for numerous other violations, including hunting and trapping within 100 yards of an inhabited dwelling without permission and placing food to attract wild deer.

CPO Kelley issued written warnings to two individuals for fishing violations in Lake County.

CPO Hurt was conducting routine patrol in Chain O' Lakes State Park. A traffic stop was initiated on a vehicle for speeding near the entrance. A consent search was conducted and a marijuana pipe and prescription pills were located. The driver was arrested for no valid driver's license and possession of drug paraphernalia. Possible felony charges are pending for the possession of the prescription pills. The driver was cited and released on a notice to appear.

McHENRY COUNTY

CPO Davis stopped a timber truck and issued a citation for transporting logs without proof of ownership.

CPO Davis observed two fishermen, in full camo, hiding within the reeds fishing on private property. CPO Wagner assisted in apprehending the subjects who had been caught fishing on the private property without permission in the past. They were both issued citations.

CPO Kelley issued a citation to an individual for failure to provide proof of insurance at Moraine Hills State Park. CPO Kelley investigated a dumping complaint at Volo Bog State Natural Area (VBSNA). A resident near VBSNA was pumping water from Lake Jerilyn through a tile into the bog in an effort to dredge the area around his pier. CPO Kelley advised the individual he could not continue with his project and the subject removed the pump and hose from VNSNA.

CPO Kelley assisted a McHenry County deputy with an injured goose in Port Barrington. The deputy believed the goose's neck was broken but CPO Kelley discovered the problem was a fishing lure wrapped around the goose's right wing. Once the lure was removed, the goose left the scene with what appeared to be non-life-threatening injuries.

District 3 – Sgt. Mark Simon **(Counties: Grundy, Kankakee, Kendall & Will)**

GRUNDY COUNTY

CPO Anderson conducted two presentations at the Morris High School.

CPO Anderson participated in CWD sharpshooting.

KANKAKEE COUNTY

CPO Mieure handled a vandalism complaint at Kankakee River State Park. Increased patrol and surveillance was conducted.

CPO Mieure conducted sport fish enforcement for the spring walleye run. One citation was issued to a subject for no fishing license. Two written warnings were also issued. High muddy water limited fishing opportunities.

CPO Mieure issued a warning to a subject for operation of an ATV on the roadway.

CPO Mieure worked a complaint of shed hunting on property without permission. The complainant was also found to be in violation. One warning was issued and both subjects were shown property boundaries.

CPO Mieure participated in CWD sharpshooting.

WILL COUNTY

CPOs Honiotes, Reid and CPOT Kasher received information from Mokena Police Department about a subject who had a large alligator and other reptiles in possession. Subsequent investigation revealed that the subject possessed a 5 foot American Alligator, two Caymans and a large Alligator Snapping turtle. All four reptiles were seized and taken into the care of a rehabilitator. Charges are pending.

CPO Honiotes was patrolling I & M Canal state trail and discovered a man and his three children, each carrying an air rifle. The man advised that they were squirrel hunting. He was issued a citation for unlawfully hunting squirrels during the closed season and received several written warnings.

CPO Honiotes responded to a call of a boat pulling a skier at Braidwood Lake. The lake is a fishing lake only. The boat and two occupants were located and admitted to water skiing on the lake without an observer. A boat safety inspection was conducted. One person was issued a citation for unlawfully operation of a watercraft without a serviceable fire extinguisher and the other was issued a citation for unlawfully operating a watercraft without the required PFD (personal flotation device). Several warnings were issued.

CPO Honiotes participated in CWD sharpshooting.

District 4 – Sgt. Bill Shannon
(Counties: Cook & DuPage)

COOK COUNTY

CPO Mooi conducted sport fishing enforcement on Montrose Harbor. Three written warnings were issued for fishing licenses not being in possession

CPO V. Smith while on patrol at Burnham Harbor issued citations for unlawful fishing without a non-resident fishing license and unlawful possession of trout and salmon without a salmon stamp and a written warning for unlawful fishing for salmon in Lake Michigan without a salmon stamp.

CPO V. Smith while on patrol at Bluff Spring Fen issued 4 written warnings for fishing in area closed to fishing.

CPO V. Smith while on patrol at Lincoln Park Lagoon issued 4 written warnings for fishing in area closed to fishing.

CPO V. Smith while on patrol at Bluff Spring Fen issued 2 written warnings for fishing license not in possession.

CPO V. Smith while on patrol issued a citation for driving while suspended and a written warning for improper lane usage – driving on shoulder.

CPO V. Smith while on patrol at Dusable Harbor issued a written warning for fishing license not in possession.

CPO V Smith while on patrol at Lake Opeka issued a written warning for fishing license not in possession.

CPO V. Smith while on patrol in Bluff Spring Fen issued 2 written warnings for fishing without a fishing license.

CPO Whitchurch was on patrol at a Cook County River when he saw a motor boat underway with two occupants who were fishing. CPO Whitchurch conducted a fishing license check and boat safety check on the boat. The boat did not have personal flotation devices on board, no fire extinguisher, no sounding device, and the watercraft was not registered. CPO Whitchurch explained all applicable laws to the operator of the boat. A citation was issued along with multiple written warnings.

CPO Whitchurch was on patrol at Lake Michigan checking salmon fishermen. When one subject saw CPO Whitchurch he abandoned his fishing gear and attempted to leave the area. CPO Whitchurch caught up to the subject who was an out of state resident. The subject admitted to CPO Whitchurch he had purchased nonresident fishing licenses and salmon stamps in previous years, but had failed to do so this year. The subject was cited for unlawful fishing without a valid sport fishing license.

CPO Whitchurch was on patrol at a Cook County River when he observed a boat underway. The boater saw CPO Whitchurch conversing with a person along the bank and began to move in the opposite direction as CPO Whitchurch. The man was caught up with a short time later when it was learned he failed to have a personal flotation device on board and also did not have the watercraft properly registered. The subject was issued a citation and a written warning.

CPO Whitchurch was checking fishermen at a Cook County River when a boat passed CPO Whitchurch. The boat was checked for safety equipment and no visible registration was displayed on the boat. The boater did not have valid registration or a wearable personal flotation device on board. A citation and written warning was issued.

CPO Whitchurch was on patrol when he observed two subjects fishing from a boat on an IDNR lake. While the subjects were fishing, they were observed drinking beer out of cans and discarding the empty cans into the tall weeds which were growing in the water. When the two subjects returned to the boat launch, CPO Whitchurch observed a wake violation. At the launch a boat safety inspection was conducted. CPO Whitchurch observed alcohol inside the boat which was unlawful to have inside the IDNR property. It was also learned one of the subjects who was observed fishing in the boat was from another state and did not have a valid nonresident Illinois sport fishing license. Multiple citations and written warnings were issued for the violations.

CPO Whitchurch observed a vehicle pull out in front of his patrol vehicle while in motion in an unsafe manner inside IDNR property. CPO Whitchurch also observed another traffic violation committed by the same vehicle. A traffic stop was conducted on the vehicle. The driver of the vehicle was driving while his license was suspended and did not have proof of valid insurance. The driver was arrested and bonded. The driver of the vehicle will appear in court at a later date. The vehicle was towed from the scene.

CPO Whitchurch observed two people fishing from a motorboat on a Cook County River. CPO Whitchurch conducted a safety inspection on the boat at which time it was learned the boat was not properly registered in Illinois, it did not have a sounding device onboard, and its battery was lying open without covers and was not protected from shifting. The operator of the boat was cited for unlawful operation of watercraft without proper registration. The operator was issued written warnings for the other violations.

CPO Whitchurch was on patrol at Lake Michigan checking anglers for compliance with sport fishing laws. CPO Whitchurch observed one angler catch multiple salmon and place these salmon in a bucket hanging from his bike. CPO Whitchurch checked the angler who possessed his daily limit of salmon (5), but he did not have valid Lake Michigan Salmon Stamp. The angler was cited and the fish he possessed were gifted to properly licensed anglers in the vicinity.

CPO Whitchurch observed a boat being operated in a Cook County river that was not properly registered. The operator of the boat was cited for unlawfully operating an unregistered watercraft.

CPO Whitchurch observed a motorboat underway at a Cook County lake. The operator was observed beaching the boat and then exiting the boat with his fishing gear. The subject walked across a peninsula to fish on the other side of the peninsula. CPO Whitchurch observed registration numbers on the boat but no expiration decal was affixed to either side of the boat. CPO Whitchurch made contact with the operator of the boat who turned out to be the owner of the boat. CPO Whitchurch asked the subject if he had valid registration for the boat. The subject told CPO Whitchurch he had the expiration decals in his vehicle, but he did not want to attach them to the boat because he was going to paint the boat in the near future. CPO Whitchurch checked the attached registration numbers on display on the side of the boat. The registration numbers were registered to larger boat which the subject also owned. When CPO Whitchurch confronted the subject with the information, the subject then produced paperwork which confirmed the registration on the boat he was seen operating was for his other boat. The subject was cited.

CPO Whitchurch investigated a personal injury boating accident which occurred at Wolf Lake in Chicago. A subject's boat while underway began to take on water at a rapid rate causing the boat to capsize and partially submerge. The subject

did possess an air horn which he sounded alerting another person in the area of his distress. The subject was wearing a personal flotation device and was able to stay on top of his boat until rescue personnel arrived. The subject was transported to a local hospital and was treated for hypothermia. The investigation revealed an older plug used in the boat did not form a watertight seal allowing water to enter at the boat's stern.

CPO Macias was checking fishermen using power-line devices at Montrose Harbor when he noticed a subject taking the Coho salmon he just caught, gutting them, throwing the offal into the harbor waters, wrapping them in newspaper and taking them to his van. The subject made it a point to hide them under his seat. CPO Macias approached the subject and confronted him with his findings. The subject told CPO Macias he did not speak English. CPO Macias tried his BEST to convey to the subject what he was doing was illegal and he needed to see the fillets in his truck. After 45 minutes of hand gestures, drawing on paper, and doing the best he could, CPO Macias managed to have the subject open his van and show him the salmon. CPO Macias cited the subject for overtake of Coho salmon and seized all but 5 of the fish.

CPO Macias and CPOT Poffenberger taught a hunters safety class with a class attendance of 53 people.

CPO Macias was checking a pair of fishermen in a boat at Tampier Lake. They were in compliance with the fishing statutes but not with the boat safety code. A written warning was issued for 2 boating violations

CPO Macias was patrolling the Tinley Park area fishing ponds, he saw a couple fishing at Tryner's Pond and when checked they told CPO Macias one had a valid license and one did not. A citation for no license while fishing was issued.

CPO Macias was at Belmont Harbor when he noticed a pair of fishermen on the dockside of the harbor. One of them had three poles in the water, upon further inspection the third rod was not marked with his information. A written warning was issued.

DUPAGE COUNTY

CPO Mooi conducted an investigation involving trapped squirrels in southern DuPage County. Enforcement action is pending.

CPO Mooi was contacted by the Woodridge Police Department about untagged traps that an officer seized from a residence. Upon speaking with the trapper, the trapper informed Woodridge Police Officers that "Eco-terrorists" must have removed his tags. Enforcement action is pending further investigation.

LAKE COUNTY

CPO Vaughan issued a citation to an individual who was using a recently rented SUV to practice "drifting" around corners at Illinois Beach State Park's main parking lot.

REGION 3 – Captain Jim Mayes

District 11 – Sgt. Brian McReynolds

(Counties: Clark, Coles, Cumberland, Douglas, Edgar, Moultrie & Shelby)

CLARK COUNTY

CPO Wellum arrested a Marshall man, in Marshall, at 6:50 a.m. on St. Patrick's Day for DUI. The Marshall man was issued citations for driving under the influence of alcohol, driving with BAC over .08 and no proof of insurance. A written warning for failure to use turn signal was also issued. The man was transported to the Clark County Jail and had a .115 BAC.

COLES COUNTY

CPO Barnes arrested a Mattoon man on a Coles County arrest warrant after investigating the man for illegally dumping trash. The man was transported to the Coles County Jail.

CPOs Moody and Barnes along with CPOT Sanford cited a Mattoon man for being a registered child sex offender present in a park when he was at Lake Charleston. Another man with him who was highly intoxicated was cited for pollution of a waterway after 11 of his empty beer cans were found floating in the water and along the water's edge.

CPOs Moody and Barnes cited a Charleston woman for possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of less than 2.5 grams of cannabis at Lake Charleston while checking fishermen.

CPO Moody cited a Mattoon man at Lake Paradise for possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of less than 2.5 grams of cannabis while checking fishermen.

CPO Greuel and CPO Buhnerkempe conducted a basic carbine/rifle school at Charleston Police Department Range.

MOULTRIE COUNTY

CPOs Moody and Barnes cited an Allenville man and a Bethany man for driving off of the roadway on the Lake Shelbyville Wildlife Management Area. The two men had driven off into a field as well as tore up many of the ditches while out joyriding in their vehicles.

CPO Moody cited a Mattoon man for illegal dumping on the LSWMA (Lake Shelbyville Wildlife and Management Area) after six large trash bags with household trash were found abandoned near the Strickland Boat Ramp. It was later discovered that the man had also dumped a large amount of trash along the roadway in rural Bruce.

CPO Barnes and Moody received a complaint of an injured Bald Eagle in Moultrie near the Lake Shelbyville Wildlife Management Area. After several attempts they were able to catch the injured Bald Eagle. They transported the Eagle to the Illinois Raptor Center outside of Decatur. Initial evaluation determined that the injuries to the Eagle were consistent with being kept confined to a wire cage. The Eagle was transferred to the U of I Vet Clinic and through consultation with the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service the decision was made to euthanize the Eagle. Case is pending information from the public to the identity of the individual(s) who had the Eagle in their possession.

SHELBY COUNTY

CPO Greuel investigated a possible EPA and drainage/pollution complaint in Shelby County.

CPO Greuel attended a Water Safety Task Force meeting with the Lake Shelbyville U. S. Army Corps of Engineers.

District 19 – Sgt. John Williamson

(Counties: Champaign, DeWitt, Ford, Iroquois, Livingston, Macon, McLean, Piatt & Vermilion)

DEWITT COUNTY

CPO Matt Graden, CPO Bryant Wright, and CPO Matt Viverito along with his K9 partner "Hank", conducted an enforcement detail around Clinton Lake. The detail centered upon sport fish regulations coupled with the unlawful possession of illegal drugs. Two subjects were issued written warnings for fishing license violations. Six subjects were arrested for unlawful possession of L/T 2.5g cannabis and possession of drug paraphernalia.

CPO Viverito was patrolling DeWitt County and was checking anglers along the DeWitt bridge when he discovered two 6 inch large-mouth bass in an angler's basket. An investigation ensued which led to the angler receiving a citation for failure to immediately release a short fish.

CPO Reeves made an arrest of a male subject at Clinton Lake on the Dewitt Bridge. While checking the subject's fish, he was found to be in possession of two short crappie and one short largemouth bass. Upon returning to the subject's vehicle, CPO Reeves noticed the subject had an owl talon hanging from his rear view mirror in the truck. Upon questioning, the man claimed he found the owl already dead in Vermilion County and cut off its foot. The subject was then issued a citation for the unlawful possession of owl parts.

MACON COUNTY

CPO Wright stopped a Decatur man for failing to come to a complete stop at a stop sign. During the investigation one of the passengers was found to be in possession of cannabis. 4.5 grams of cannabis was hidden in his underwear. A citation was issued to the passenger for possession of the cannabis.

CPO Wright stopped a car in Decatur for failure to signal. The driver of the vehicle was suspended and also wanted by Illinois Department of Corrections for a parole violation. Also the driver was found to have a large amount of Diazepam and had no prescriptions for the pills. The Decatur man was taken to Macon County jail for the possession of a controlled substance.

McLEAN COUNTY

CPO Matt Graden initiated a traffic stop along I-74 on a silver BMW passenger car travelling at speeds ranging from 85 to 90 MPH. The adult male driver, from Savoy, was issued citations for operation of a motor vehicle without proof of registration and operation of a motor vehicle with expired registration. The driver was issued a verbal warning for excessive speed.

CPO Viverito received a call from Moraine View State Park Staff. They stated two people were harassing park visitors and littering throughout the campground. The staff supplied CPO Viverito with two license plate numbers. An investigation ensued that led to three juveniles who were consuming alcohol in a state park. Three citations for illegal possession of alcohol in a state park were issued and an ordinance ticket issued by the Leroy Police Department to the individual providing alcohol to the minors.

REGION 4 – Captain Jamie Maul

CORRECTION: A previous report from the January 15, 2016, Region 4 Activity Report indicated a "former hunter safety instructor" received a citation for possession of an uncased/loaded gun in a vehicle while coyote hunting. IDNR has since learned the individual, in fact, has never been a hunter safety instructor.

District 9 – Sgt. Mark Wagner

(Counties: Adams, Brown, Calhoun, Greene, Hancock, Jersey, Macoupin, Pike & Schuyler)

ADAMS COUNTY

CPO Myers taught the basics hunting laws in an hour long presentation to a hunter safety course in Adams County.

HANCOCK COUNTY

CPO Wheatley assisted the Hancock County Sheriff's Department and the Illinois State Police in an attempt to find a wanted suspect for the stabbing of a person in Ft. Madison. The suspect was thought to be in Pontoosuc. The search

included at least three houses, multiple outbuildings, wooded areas, and ditches. A change of clothing and an active meth lab were discovered. The suspect was later located in Lomax that evening.

CPO Wheatley taught the basics hunting laws in an hour long presentation to a hunter safety course in Hancock County.

JERSEY COUNTY

CPO Goetten stopped a vehicle in Jersey County. The registration was suspended for a mandatory insurance violation. The driver also had suspended driver's license. She was arrested and transported to the Jersey County jail.

CPO Goetten observed a vehicle weaving within the lane in Jersey County. After running the vehicle registration, it was determined the registered owner was wanted on a Greene County arrest warrant for failure to appear. She was arrested and transported to the Jersey County jail.

CPO Goetten stopped two fishermen on a boat on the river in Jersey County. One of the fishermen provided a fishing license belonging to another individual. After eventually admitting to lying to the officer, the subject admitted his fishing privileges were suspended as a result of two prior arrests. He was arrested for obstructing a police officer and CPO Goetten stopped a vehicle for speeding and expired registration at Pere Marquette State Park. Two juveniles were in the vehicle and found to be in possession of several items of drug paraphernalia and several containers with cannabis. Parents were contacted and charges are pending consultation with the Jersey County State's Attorney.

CPOT Snodgrass and CPO Goetten stopped a vehicle in Jersey County after determining the registered owner had a suspended driver's license. The registered owner was the driver and also in possession of drug paraphernalia. A passenger was in possession of several items of drug paraphernalia and cannabis. Both were arrested and transported to the Jersey County jail.

CPOT Snodgrass and CPO Goetten stopped a vehicle at Pere Marquette State Park. The passenger was wanted on a Montgomery County conservation count and a Madison County illegal dumping arrest warrant. He was arrested and transported to the Jersey County jail. He was charged with fishing while privileges suspended. 7 rods/reels were seized for forfeiture. He was transported to the Jersey County jail.

OTHER: Region 1- Fulton County

CPO Blakeley attended Astoria High School for a presentation. He talked to students about general hunting, fishing, boating laws, and duties & responsibilities of CPOs.

District 10 – Sgt. Chris Stone

(Counties: Cass, Christian, Logan, Morgan, Sangamon & Scott)

CASS COUNTY

CPOs Elliott, Thornley, and Bettis seized 25 deer stands from Jim Edgar Panther Creek Fish and Wildlife Area for various park violations.

CHRISTIAN COUNTY

CPO Cochran taught the basic hunting laws in an hour long presentation to a hunter safety class at Locked and Loaded in Pana. Approximately 20 students were in attendance.

CPO Cochran received a disposition on a deer poaching case. An individual was cited for unlawfully harvesting a buck without valid archery deer permit deer in Taylorville. He was found guilty and fined \$650.50 in Christian County Court.

CPO Cochran received a disposition on an incident which occurred at Sangchris Lake State Park. An individual was cited for fishing with four poles over the legal limit, operation of a motorboat without serviceable fire extinguisher, parking a vehicle in a posted No Parking area near Strawkas Boat Ramp, and no life jacket for one of his passengers. The individual was found guilty and fined \$560.

CPOs Cochran and Tanke seized 6 deer stands from Sangchris Lake State Park for various park violations.

CPOs Cochran and Tanke observed an individual fishing at Sangchris Lake State Park Dam with one pole over the legal limit. Upon running the subject through ISP Dispatch, CPOs Cochran and Tanke received information that the Springfield man was wanted on a warrant out of Texas on a probation violation for dealing cocaine under 28 grams. The individual was subsequently arrested for a fully extraditable warrant and cited for fishing with one pole over the legal limit. The subject was remanded without bond to the Christian County Jail until such time he can be extradited to Texas.

MENARD COUNTY

CPOs Thornley and Bettis are investigating the death of a Bald Eagle near Tallula. The Eagle was found near a raccoon carcass in the middle of a large field. The Eagle has been relayed to the USFW for testing for possible poisoning.

CPOs Thornley and Bettis taught the basic hunting laws in an hour and half long presentation to a hunter safety class at the Farm Bureau building in Petersburg. Approximately 20 students were in attendance.

SANGAMON COUNTY

CPOs Thornley and Bettis taught the basic hunting laws in an hour and half long presentation to a hunter safety class at the Springfield Police Academy. Approximately 45 students were in attendance.

District 13 – Sgt. Eric Manker

(Counties: Bond, Clinton, Madison, Monroe, Montgomery, Randolph, St. Clair & Washington)

CLINTON COUNTY

CPO Tapley stopped a vehicle for having only one headlight. The driver of the vehicle was found to have a suspended driver's license. The driver was arrested and taken to the Clinton County Jail.

CPO Tapley taught a hunter safety course. 25 students were in attendance.

CPO Tapley attended a Career Fair Day at Kaskaskia College. Several hundred students were in attendance at the event, of which 120 came to listen to CPO Tapley's presentation.

CPO Tapley stopped a vehicle for speeding near Germantown. The driver and passenger were both under 21 years of age and were in possession of open alcohol. The 18 year old driver was arrested and the 16 year old passenger was released to parents.

CPO Tapley assisted the Clinton County Sheriff's Department search for a subject who was involved in a fatal car crash. The driver of one of the vehicles had fled on foot, but was found by a Sheriff's deputy at a campground a couple hours later.

CPO Tapley received a call about a truck stuck in the mud at Eldon Hazlet State Park. As Tapley was almost to the park, a truck matching the description given (and covered in mud) was driving away. Tapley stopped that truck and another in front of it. It was determined to be the correct vehicle, and both drivers admitted to "mudding". Tapley went to the area of the park where the call originated and found large fresh ruts in the edge of a parking lot. Both drivers were

juveniles so their parents were contacted. With the agreement of the parents, work days will be scheduled at the park for the juveniles to help fix the damage they caused along with other spring clean-up projects.

CPO Tapley was on patrol when he heard Clinton County Dispatch report two motorcycles traveling on Old US 50 west of Carlyle that were weaving in and out of traffic. As the report was coming across the radio, CPO Tapley passed the two motorcycles traveling the opposite direction. One of the motorcycles was operating on one wheel. The two motorcycles were stopped and the driver who had been driving on one wheel was issued a citation.

MADISON COUNTY

CPO French and CPOT Tripp were checking fishermen on Chouteau Island. One of the fishermen had an active warrant for violation of order of protection. The Granite City subject was arrested and transport to Granite City Police Department.

CPO French was working in Horseshoe Lake State Park where he found a vehicle had struck a tree rendering it inoperable. The vehicle was not occupied and no one had reported an accident. Investigation into the accident has led to the operator of the vehicle and possible reasons why it was not reported. Several items used in the manufacturing and distribution of drugs were found in the vehicle. Charges are pending in Madison County

CPO French was checking fishermen at Horseshoe Lake State Park. A Caseyville subject that he checked had several warrants issued for multiple counties. The individual was taken into custody and transported to Madison County Jail to await extradition on the many warrants.

CPO Liebl was patrolling Chouteau Island when he observed two vehicles parked in the corner of a DNR parking lot. After watching for a few minutes, two persons were observed in one of the vehicles passing a smoking device back and forth with clouds of smoke coming out of the car. Upon approaching the vehicle, CPO Liebl observed two Madison County females drinking beer and smoking cannabis. When checking ID's, it was learned that one of the females was a juvenile (17 years old) and the other had just turned 18 years old. Both females were also found to be in possession of a controlled substance (suspected Xanax) without a prescription. The 18 year old was charged with possession of alcohol by a minor, possession of cannabis, and possession of drug paraphernalia. The report was submitted to the Madison County State's Attorney for possible additional felony charges for the controlled substance possession. The 17 year old was turned over to a parent who was called to the scene. A report documenting all the violations by the 17 year old (which were the same as for the 18 year old) was turned over to the Juvenile Court system in Madison County for prosecution.

CPO Liebl taught basic boating laws at a boat safety class at Holiday Shores.

CPO Liebl discussed basic hunting laws to approximately 60 students at a hunter safety class in Highland.

MONROE COUNTY

CPO Ralph Sievers and CPOT Justin Knop completed a firearm deer investigation in Monroe County. The male hunter was firearm deer hunting while in possession of an either sex deer permit. He harvested a doe but he did not want to use his either sex permit on the doe. He purchased an antlerless only permit and then recorded the doe harvest with the antlerless only permit. The hunter was issued a citation.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

CPO Tapley issued a citation to a hunter for shooting a turkey during the fall archery season without a valid turkey permit.

CPO Matt Lentz arrested a male subject for possession of cannabis and drug paraphernalia while fishing at Coffeen Lake.

RANDOLPH COUNTY

CPO Ralph Sievers and CPOT Justin Knop completed a firearm deer investigation in Randolph County. The female hunter was firearm deer hunting while in possession of an either sex deer permit. She harvested a doe but she did not want to use her either sex permit on the doe. She purchased an antlerless only permit and then recorded the doe harvest with the antlerless only permit. The hunter was issued a citation.

CPO Ralph Sievers and CPOT Justin Knop were patrolling Randolph County for fishermen. They located two male subjects bank fishing the Mississippi River near the confluence of Mary's River. One of the fishermen was fishing without a resident sport fishing license and was in possession of less than 2.5 grams of cannabis. The fisherman was issued citations.

ST. CLAIR COUNTY

CPO Rolfingsmeier worked an illegal dumping of trash case on Kaskaskia River State Fish and Wildlife area. CPO Rolfingsmeier was on patrol and found an illegal dumping site. After searching items in the trash, CPO Rolfingsmeier found receipts with the names that led to the perpetrator. CPO Rolfingsmeier was able to locate the individual and issue him a citation and ordered him to clean up the trash.

WASHINGTON COUNTY

CPO Tapley taught at a Hunter Safety Course in Ashley. 25 students attended.

Jefferson County: CPO Tapley assisted the Illinois State Police search for a subject who had committed a domestic battery and kidnapping. The subject was located in a patch of timber near I-64. The child was found unharmed.

REGION 5 – Captain Tim Daiber

District 14 – Sgt. Jeff Cariens

(Counties: Franklin, Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Jefferson, Pope, Saline, White)

FRANKLIN COUNTY

CPO Lay issued a citation to a Franklin County fisherman whom was fishing on Rend Lake without a license.

CPO Lay completed an investigation into a harassment complaint. The case is currently being reviewed by the Franklin County State's Attorney.

CPO Lay appeared at a Franklin County Hunter Safety Course in Sesser during this reporting period.

CPO Diggins attended a hunter safety course at West Frankfort City Lake . Approximately 30 hunters participated in the course.

HAMILTON COUNTY

CPO Folden patrolled Hamilton County Conservation Area in search for deer stands abandoned after the required removal date of January 31. CPO Folden located and removed 5 deer stands that illegally remained on the HCCA property.

CPO Folden received a call from a Hamilton County landowner during the evening hours when CPO Folden was off duty. The landowner was upset about several all-terrain vehicles causing damage to his property. CPO Folden contacted the landowner and obtained necessary written statements to pursue the violators. CPO Folden was given

four names of possible suspects only one of which was accurate. After issuing a citation to one confirmed trespasser CPO Folden gained information on the other suspects. Following a series of phone tag and other cat and mouse games, CPO Folden located, identified, and issued citations to the remaining three violators. Four citations were issued for unlawful operation of ATVs on property without consent of the landowner.

CPO Folden checked several boats on Dolan Lake within Hamilton County Conservation Area. One citation for not having a fire extinguisher when required and several written warnings were issued.

JEFFERSON COUNTY

CPO Jourdan arrested a Mt. Vernon man for driving on a revoked license, open alcohol-driver, no insurance, and littering.

CPO Jourdan issued a citation for operation of ATV on the roadway after observed subject driving a four-wheeler at a high-rate of speed on Log Cabin Road. Subject said he wrecked a 4-wheeler a few years prior and broke his back.

CPO Jourdan issued a citation for fishing without license at Atchison Creek and fishing without permission of the landowner at a strip pit in Belle Rive.

CPO Lay appeared at a Jefferson County Hunter Safety Course in Mt. Vernon during this reporting period.

POPE COUNTY

CPO Johnson presented the Pope County State's Attorney with a mounted 9 point deer head. The deer was seized from a Tennessee hunter. The subject was hunting in Illinois and was cited for deer hunting violations. The subject returned home and came back to Illinois during the same year and poached another 9 point buck. CPO Johnson obtained the information and coordinated with Tennessee Fish and Wildlife to seize the deer. The subject paid \$3120 in fines and fees and forfeited the deer. The mount is on display in the courthouse.

SALINE COUNTY

CPO Diggins cited an Equality driver for improper passing on the right shoulder. The driver stated that she was driving recklessly to get her son to the emergency room for a minor shoulder injury. In addition to passing on the shoulder, the driver passed CPOS squad and three other vehicles in excess of 90 MPH. The driver was issued two written warnings for speeding and improper lane usage.

CPO Johnson issued two subjects no fishing license tickets in Saline County.

WHITE COUNTY

CPO Schoenhoff is working with an Idaho CPO on an outfitting case. She is also investigating possible violations on local residents from another case.

CPO Schoenhoff taught a portion of a hunter safety class in Carmi.

District 15 – Sgt. Dave Hyatt

(Counties: Clay, Crawford, Edwards, Effingham, Fayette, Jasper, Lawrence, Marion, Richland, Wabash & Wayne)

EFFINGHAM COUNTY

CPO Smith attended a hunter safety education class located in Dieterich. CPO Smith taught the class on subjects referring to wildlife laws, criminal laws, conservation safety, firearm safety, and firearm laws.

JASPER COUNTY

CPO Taylor gave a boat safety presentation to participants of the IHSA Bass tournament held at Newton Lake.

CPO Smith was enforcing sport fish regulations at Newton Lake and found the following watercraft violations: improper registration # display, battery cover, and sounding device. CPO Smith issued written warnings for each violation.

CPO Smith received information from Sgt. Hyatt of unlawful trapping taking place in Newton. The complaint originated from an individual who claimed the trappers caught her house cat and disposed of it. CPO Smith met with the individuals involved and ascertained from the interview that they were not responsible for the missing cat. CPO Smith explained to the individuals the lawful way of taking care of nuisance species and the consequences of taking matters into their own hands. CPO Smith issued one citation each to the trappers for trapping protected species out of season, one written warning to each for trapping without a license and trapping without a nuisance species removal permit.

District 16 – Sgt. Kris Taylor

(Counties: Alexander, Jackson, Johnson, Massac, Perry, Pulaski, Union & Williamson)

JACKSON COUNTY

Sgt. Taylor assisted the Jackson County ambulance service with transporting a patient. An individual had been hiking in the Little Grand Canyon U.S. Forest Service area when he slipped and fell off the rocks injuring his back. Emergency responders located the individual but due to his condition and location it was determined that it would be easy to evacuate him by a boat on the Big Muddy River. Sgt. Taylor responded with a boat and the individual was transported out.

CPO Mohrman and CPOT Knop investigated the aftermath of vandalism which occurred at Burning Star State Fish and Wildlife area. The majority of the vandalism was to private landowners who have land holdings within the management area. The damage consisted of locks being broken off of gates, camping gear thrown all around and agriculture fields rutted up where vehicles went mudding. The investigation continues with numerous cameras being installed.

CPO Mohrman gave a one hour presentation on conservation laws at a Hunter Safety class in Anna.

CPO Mohrman provided traffic control for the annual antique tractor parade in Jackson County. The parade which is conducted as a benefit for St. Jude's came through Lake Murphysboro State Park and the Kinkaid Spillway.

JASPER COUNTY

CPO Dan Lewis was notified of an incident which occurred at Giant City State Park. A man, his daughter, and a friend were hiking at Giant City State Park on the trail near Shelter Number One. This trail is located along Stonefort Road in the park. During the hike, they left the trail and began exploring a small waterfall. At the waterfall, the subject's daughter slipped and began sliding down a creek and ultimately fell 10-12 feet off the waterfall. Upon her falling, the subject attempted to save her by voluntarily going over the waterfall himself. Because they were both injured from the fall, the friend left the area and contacted assistance. Makanda Fire Department and Rescue arrived and attended to father and daughter. They were then transported to Carbondale Memorial Hospital. The father was diagnosed as having a right ankle fracture and dislocation and the daughter suffered multiple abrasions, contusions and a right frontal skull hematoma. Both are expected to make a full recovery.

JOHNSON COUNTY

Due to the nice weather, CPO Thompson worked the Ferne Clyffe State Park area. He wrote several warnings and citations for speeding in the park.

CPO Thompson attended two hunter safety classes, one in Williamson County with 75 students and one in Johnson County with 40 students.

CPO Thompson stopped a vehicle in Ferne Clyffe State Park for speeding. The driver was a foreigner living in the U.S. for almost 14 years; however, in that time period, the subject had never obtained a valid driver's license from their home country or the U.S. and did not have vehicle insurance. The subject was cited and given a court date.

CPO Thompson discovered a secondary violator from an administrative deer investigation in Johnson County. With the assistance of CPO N. Reid, District 3, the violator was tracked down, interviewed and issued a citation for unlawful deer hunting.

PERRY COUNTY

CPO Lewis responded to a complaint in Pinckneyville about a "huge" snake in a bath tub. Upon arrival at the residence, the owner of the home was standing on the front porch holding the door closed. CPO Lewis and a Perry County Deputy entered the residence and located the snake. As it turned out the "huge" snake in question was a foot long baby rat snake. The snake was removed from the residence by CPO Lewis.

CPO Lewis completed four timber truck inspections. No major violations were noted.