



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 June 28 – July 13, 2015)

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)

CARROLL COUNTY

The celebration of our independence was accompanied by lots of alcohol on the Mississippi River and Palisades State Park where CPO Beltran issued several citations for consumption in a restricted area. Additionally, he assisted CPO Jones in the arrest of a drunken boater from Freeport, Illinois.

A father and his underage son were enjoying some Budweiser products at Palisades State Park when CPO Beltran made contact with them and issued citations for drinking violations.

JO DAVIESS COUNTY

CPO Hoogerwerf conducted boat patrols on the Mississippi River with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service during the 4th of July weekend. A Dubuque man was issued a citation for operating a watercraft with insufficient number of PFD's.

Multiple written warnings were issued for boating equipment violations.

ROCK ISLAND COUNTY

While on a night boat patrol on Pool 16 of the Mississippi River, CPO Palumbo arrested a Rock Island man for operating a watercraft while under the influence of alcohol. The boat operator was also issued a citation for improper navigation lights when required and a written warning for an uncovered/unsecured battery.

While on a night boat patrol on Pool 15 of the Mississippi River, CPO Palumbo stopped a watercraft that was operating with no front navigation lights. It was then discovered that there were young children in the boat that were not wearing their personal flotation devices and that the boat registration had expired. The East Moline man was issued a citation for the kids under the age of 13 years who were not wearing PFD's and a written warning for the lighting and registration violations.

CPOs Francisko and Palumbo responded to a personal injury boat accident. The boat accident occurred on the Mississippi River north of Cordova. A Coal Valley man was operating his speed boat at approximately 70 mph when he lost control, flipped the boat over and was ejected from it. The man was not wearing a PFD and was transported to Illini Hospital. The case is still under investigation.

CPO Posateri arrested a Rock Island man for OUI on the Mississippi River near Sunset Marina. His BAC was .152 which is almost twice the legal limit.

CPO Posateri responded to a boat accident involving two PWCs (personal watercrafts) on the Mississippi River near Rapid City. The experienced operators were doing circles around each other to make a larger wake when they got too close and collided. The one PWC had significant damage and was sinking. They drifted to a dock approximately ½ mile downstream and secured both PWCs to the dock. Only a minor abrasion to the hand of one operator occurred from the collision. These two operators were very lucky to have no injuries.

STEPHENSON COUNTY

1:15 p.m. on a Thursday afternoon was a good time to start drinking for a Lena woman at Lake Le Aqua Na State Park. CPO Beltran noticed the violation as alcohol was displayed in plain view. The woman was written a citation.

WHITESIDE COUNTY

CPO Palumbo attended a NWTF Jakes/Ducks Unlimited Greenwing Combo Kid's Day at the Coleta Sportsman Club with the Illinois Conservation Police Lodge trailer. CPO Palumbo started off the event by giving a presentation to both kids and adults on gun safety in the field, at the range and at home.

While on boat patrol on Pool 14 of the Mississippi River, CPO Palumbo issued a citation to a Goose Lake, Iowa, boat operator for operating a watercraft with an insufficient number of wearable PFD's of appropriate size on board.

During the same patrol, another citation was issued to an Albany man for fishing with no fishing license and written warnings for no sounding device on board and no proof of registration renewal.

District 6 - Sgt. Hank Frazier **(Counties: Boone, Bureau, DeKalb, LaSalle, Putnam & Winnebago)**

LASALLE COUNTY

CPO Kaufman responded to an injured rafter on the Vermilion River. As the raft went through some rapids, the rafter told the rest of the group that she had dislocated her knee. The group paddled to shore; once on shore the rafter started acting highly intoxicated. The group decided to stay on shore and let the rafter sober up before they continued down the river. The rafter suddenly jumped into the river; the group had to enter the river to get her back on shore. Once everyone was back on shore, the group asked passing rafts to call for help since they could not control the highly intoxicated rafter. CPO Kaufman, Oglesby and Utica Fire Departments responded. Once the rafter was safely on shore with the fire departments, she claimed her knee was okay. When told by CPO Kaufman that she was being transported to the hospital due to the high level of impairment, she said some very unkind words to him. The hospital staff determined that she did not have any physical injuries, but was highly intoxicated. The rafter admitted to having alcohol in a water bottle that the rest of the group did not know about. She was released into the custody of her friends.

CPO Kaufman responded to a fall with injuries at Starved Rock State Park. An individual had fallen 5-10 feet, breaking his right ankle. The man had been at the bottom of the Wildcat Canyon waterfall and decided to climb up to a ledge. Utica EMS and Ottawa River Rescue were dispatched; the man was transported to Illinois Valley Community Hospital. When asked why he decided to climb up to the ledge he told CPO Kaufman that it was to impress a girl. He was issued a citation for entry into a restricted area/climbing.

As CPO Kaufman was launching a boat for patrol during the Ottawa fireworks, he heard yelling and screaming coming from a boat. He turned around and saw a boat full of people going through a No Wake Zone at full throttle. CPO Kaufman stopped the boat to address the violation and conduct a boat safety compliance check. Several violations were found during the compliance check, including the boat having too many passengers. The operator showed signs of impairment during the check. CPO Kaufman conducted field sobriety tests on the operator and arrested him for operating a watercraft under the influence of alcohol.

CPO Jansen handled a boat accident involving a single vessel which had a mechanical failure causing the vessel to sink in Seneca. No injuries were reported and the vessel was recovered.

CPO Jansen investigated a drowning on the Illinois River in Seneca with the assistance of several District 6 CPOs.

CPO Jansen was on patrol in the Starved Rock Campground when he discovered a vape pen used to smoke cannabis and a small amount of cannabis. One subject was arrested and issued citations for possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of cannabis.

CPO Finn was patrolling the Starved Rock Campground when he observed two individuals drinking. CPO Finn addressed the two individuals and later found them to be under age. The two campers attempted to use fake identification so they would not be caught drinking under age. Both individuals received citations for illegal consumption of alcohol by a minor, furnishing a fraudulent identification and illegal possession of alcohol in a state park.

WINNEBAGO COUNTY

When CPO Fraser pulled in to a Winnebago County Forest Preserve he observed a fisherman reeling in a catfish from a Pecatonica River slough. The man was pulling the fish on to shore when he turned around and saw CPO Fraser's marked truck. Immediately after turning around, the fisherman dropped the pole on the ground and walked away with the catfish still on the line. When questioned, the man stated the pole was not his and he was just watching it for his friend. Upon further investigation CPO Fraser discovered five untagged fishing poles and only one valid fishing license among the four people in the area. A verbal warning was given to the man with the valid fishing license for failure to tag unattended fishing devices and a citation was issued to the unlicensed fisherman who dropped the pole.

CPO Fraser and other Winnebago County CPOs patrolled the Rock River over the Independence Day weekend. CPOs checked numerous boats and issued citations and warnings primarily for PFD, lanyard and ski flag violations. CPO Fraser and CPO Alt also arrested two intoxicated boaters over the weekend.

CPO Alt and CPO Fraser completed a watercraft patrol on the Rock River on the 4th of July. Over thirty watercraft and safety inspections were conducted resulting in seven arrests and thirteen written warnings issued. They also responded to a property damage boat accident involving a swamped/flooded boat. Finally, CPO Alt finished the 12 hour shift with a watercraft OUI arrest where the intoxicated operator blew .20% breath alcohol concentration on the Department issued RBT IV Intoximeter. The intoxicated boat operator was transported to the Winnebago County Jail in lieu of bond.

Officer Schoonhoven patrolled the Rock River during the July 4th weekend that resulted in the investigation of two boat crashes.

District 7, Sgt. Avery

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

KNOX COUNTY

CPO Thompson and CPO Lazzell worked a boat patrol in Knox County in support of Operation Dry Water. At the close of the weekend CPO Thompson issued 3 citations and 25 written warnings for boating registration and safety violations.

CPO Thompson assisted CPO Lazzell in the arrest of a subject for OUI who refused to provide a breath sample.

PEORIA COUNTY

CPO Thompson worked a boat traffic control detail on the Illinois River in Peoria during the 4th of July weekend. Due to high water levels, the river was closed to recreational boating and CPO Thompson and CPO Gerard assisted in the security patrol. No enforcement action was necessary.

TAZEWELL COUNTY

CPO VanZant cited two subjects for fishing without permission of the landowner in Tazewell County. He was contacted by the owner of the property who was having issues with people trespassing.

CPO Gerard completed an investigation of unlawful possession of an endangered/threatened ornate box turtle. CPO Gerard seized the endangered/threatened turtle and has turned it over to one of the State of Illinois licensed herpetologists. Enforcement action was taken against the subject.

REGION 2 – Captain Brett Scroggins

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

LAKE COUNTY

CPO Davis observed a subject violate a no wake area at the Chain O' Lakes State Park boat ramp. Upon inspection, it was ascertained that the operator was under the influence of alcohol. He was charged with violation of no wake and OUI, with BAC over .08 (.159%)

CPOs Davis, Hurt and Sgt. Riedel assisted CPO Semenik with a personal injury OUI boat accident.

CPOs Davis, Schreiber and Sgt. Riedel arrested a subject for OUI with BAC over .08 (.137%) on the Fox River after the Fox River Grove fireworks show.

CPO Davis issued four tickets and six written warnings during two boat patrols on the Fox River Chain O' Lakes.

CPO Davis assisted a subject who lost their vehicle keys in the water at the boat ramp.

CPOs Schreiber and Wagner were assigned boat patrol on the Chain O'Lakes for the annual Fourth of July fireworks displays. Early afternoon they arrested a subject operating a personal watercraft for violating the posted no wake area and was subsequently arrested for OUI. His BAC was 0.097%. A short while later they arrested a second subject for OUI. The subject had been arrested numerous times and stated that his attorney advised him to never provide breath, blood, or urine samples, therefore resulting in a refusal. Later that evening a third subject was arrested for violating a posted no wake area, insufficient lifejackets, and was also arrested for OUI. The subject had a BAC of 0.138%.

While conducting a boat patrol on the Chain O' Lakes, CPO Winters and CPO Wagner issued 7 PFD citations and multiple written warnings for various boating violations.

CPO Wagner arrested two boat operators for OUI on the Chain O Lakes.

CPO Wagner issued six boating citations during boat patrols. In addition, he issued two citations for pollution of the waterway and two citations for possession of alcohol in a restricted area.

McHENRY COUNTY

Sgt. Riedel assisted the Algonquin Police Department on a call of a missing/suicidal teen. Sgt. Riedel located the subject at the Fox River Algonquin Dam. Sgt. Riedel notified Algonquin Police and together they took the teen into custody without incident. The teen was transported for an evaluation.

OTHER: District 2 CPOs attended the ARIDE training taught by the Illinois State Police.
CPO Winters, Davis, and Sgt. Riedel attended the FTO refresher training at the Region 2 office.
CPO Schreiber taught at the Illinois Conservation Police academy. He taught a block of DUI/ OUI enforcement to the recruits at the academy.

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

All District 3 CPOs provided continued patrols on the flooded and closed rivers in the District.

CPOs Anderson, Meiore, Reid and Bergland assisted District 6 CPOs with the investigation of a boating accident on LaSalle/Grundy line on the Illinois River. Side scan sonar was utilized to attempt to find the missing boater.

District 3 CPOs participated in ARIDE Training.

GRUNDY COUNTY

CPOs Bergland and Wollgast investigated an ATV accident that occurred on the I & M canal trail. ATVs are prohibited on the trail. Two juveniles had unlawfully operated the ATV on the trail and struck a downed branch, ejecting one of the occupants. Both juveniles refused treatment for minor injuries, charges pending State's Attorney review.

CPO Anderson issued a citation to a fisherman on the Illinois River for fishing without a fishing license.

CPO Anderson issued a citation to a boater on the Illinois River for insufficient number of personal flotation devices.

KANKAKEE COUNTY

CPO Vadbunker checked a subject who was fishing without a license. A check revealed that he had an outstanding warrant for unlawful possession of cannabis and was considered armed and dangerous. The subject was arrested without incident.

CPO Vadbunker arrested a subject for unlawful possession of cannabis and for having no valid driver's license and no proof of insurance.

CPO Vadbunker observed a subject light a glass pipe commonly used to smoke cannabis. Subsequent check of the subject and others in the group resulted in one subject being charged for unlawful possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia and for unlawful possession of cannabis. Another subject was charged with unlawful possession of cannabis.

KENDALL COUNTY

CPO Bergland checked a subject fishing at Silver Springs State Park. The subject did not have a fishing license and was cited for the violation. The subject also did not have a valid driver's license and admitted to driving to the location. CPO

Bergland advised the subject that he could not drive without a valid license. The subject was observed a short while later driving away from the park. He was stopped and cited for the violation and the vehicle was towed.

WILL COUNTY

CPO Vadbunker was checking fishermen at Braidwood Lake when she observed a subject driving a vehicle without brake or backup lights. A subsequent check of his driver's license revealed that he was suspended. He was cited for driving while suspended and for driving without insurance.

CPO Reid issued citations to several people floating on tubes in the DuPage River for littering after watching them throw their beer cans into the river.

CPO Vadbunker was inspecting a boat at Braidwood Lake and observed as the operator of the boat was extremely intoxicated. The subject refused to submit to all sobriety testing and was arrested for OUI. The subject refused to submit a breath sample. On the way to the jail, the subject was unable to control his bowels and defecated inside his clothing and in CPO Vadbunker's squad.

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

COOK COUNTY

CPO Macias conducted OUI enforcement at Alsip and Worth boat launches and issued two citations for various boat safety infractions.

CPO Macias conducted security detail at William Powers State Fish and Game area, issued two citations for fishing with no license and no PFD on board a boat.

CPO Macias conducted boat enforcement in Lake Michigan and issued two citations for no boat registration.

CPO Macias was the first one on scene at Burnham Harbor from a boat owner Dock M Slip 31 about an unexploded ordinance (UXO), called CPD, who in turn called CPD explosives unit to collect and destroy the UXO. It turns out it was a July 4th firework that was considered a "dud" and fell onto the boat owner's boat.

CPO Mooi conducted a boat patrol along the Chicago River, multiple vessel safety inspections were conducted resulting in one citation being issued, and enforcement action pending against a boat rental service.

CPO Mooi arrested a Chicago man for possession of cannabis and failure to stop at a stop sign in William Powers SRA.

CPO Mooi conducted a boat patrol on the Chicago River, numerous vessels were inspected. Appropriate enforcement action was taken.

CPO Whitchurch and CPO Macias patrolled on the Little Calumet River and on the Cal Sag Channel in Cook County. Many watercraft safety inspections were conducted. A subject was issued a citation for failing to secure a child under the age of 13 in a personal flotation device while underway. A second subject was issued a citation for a watercraft registration violation. Two other subjects were issued written warnings for watercraft violations.

CPO Whitchurch and Sgt. Shannon patrolled on the Chicago River where numerous watercraft safety inspections were performed. Two citations were issued for watercraft registration violations and four written warnings were issued for other watercraft equipment violations.

CPO Whitchurch conducted watercraft inspections after sunset along the Cal Sag Channel in Cook County. Two citations were issued. One citation was issued for a wake zone violation and a second citation was issued for a watercraft lighting violation. Seven written warnings were also issued for watercraft equipment violations.

CPO Whitchurch conducted watercraft inspections at an IDNR owned and managed lake in Cook County. A total of three citations were issued. Two citations were issued for personal flotation device violations. A citation was also issued for a watercraft registration violation. Twelve written warnings were also issued for watercraft equipment violations.

CPO Whitchurch conducted enforcement on IDNR owned and managed property in Cook County. A total of four citations were issued for State Park violations along with fourteen written warnings. Violations observed and enforced were: alcohol violations, fishing violations, and traffic violations.

CPO Whitchurch was on patrol at the Cal Sag Channel in Cook County when he observed a high performance watercraft disobey a posted no wake area at a very high rate of speed, close to a public boat launch. CPO Whitchurch gave physical and verbal commands to the boat operator for him to come to shore. The boat operator slowed the boat down and turned towards CPO Whitchurch's direction. CPO Whitchurch was able to observe the watercraft registration number affixed to the boat. Another boat came into the vicinity and engaged the wake zone violator in a conversation. The wake zone violator then turned the boat and continued to head down the Cal Sag Channel. CPO Whitchurch returned to his patrol vehicle and drove to another boat launch a few miles away. When CPO Whitchurch arrived at the boat launch, he learned the original wake zone violator's boat had broken down and he was being towed into the boat launch area. CPO Whitchurch waited for the subject at the boat launch. When the subject arrived, CPO Whitchurch took enforcement action against the subject for multiple watercraft violations.

CPO Whitchurch was on patrol at an IDNR owned and managed site during the hours of darkness and well after the area had been closed to the public. CPO Whitchurch observed a vehicle being driven off road to gain unlawful entry into the area. CPO Whitchurch then had to locate two subjects who had left the vehicle. CPO Whitchurch patrolled on foot until he located two out of state residents who were fishing. CPO Whitchurch informed the two subjects of the regulations pertaining to use of the State Area. CPO Whitchurch took enforcement action against the two subjects for being in a State Area after posted closing time, unlawful operation of a motor vehicle off roadway, and for unlawfully fishing without a valid non-resident sport fishing license.

CPO Whitchurch patrolled at the southern end of Lake Michigan in Chicago enforcing watercraft laws. Three citations were issued along with six written warnings. Violations encountered were: wake zone violations, registration violations, waterskiing violations, and equipment violations.

DUPAGE COUNTY

CPO Mooi went to court on an illegal waterfowl hunting case. The subject pleaded guilty to unlawfully taking a Canada goose with an air gun and unlawfully taking waterfowl out of season. The subject was fined \$650.00 plus court costs and given one year of supervision.

CPO Mooi attended the PPCT Defensive Tactics Course in Springfield.

CPO Mooi consulted with the Naperville Park District Police, Naperville Police and Naperville Fire Departments about river rescues along the DuPage River.

CPO Mooi conducted a hunter safety course at the Naperville Sportsman's Club.

LAKE COUNTY

CPO Mooi patrolled Illinois Beach State Park. Citations were issued for driving without a license and possession of alcohol in a prohibited area. Multiple written warnings were issued for traffic violations.

CPO Farber observed a watercraft at the Waukegan Harbor Boat Launch underway without navigation lights. The boat was occupied by several individuals who had very loud music coming from the vessel. While inspecting the vessel, several bottles of liquor were observed. The operator refused all testing and was transported to the Lake County Jail and cited for OUI alcohol.

CPOS Farber and Gilmer attended a multi-agency conference held at the Kenosha, Wisconsin Coast Guard station. Wisconsin Game Wardens, Kenosha County Sheriff, and Racine County Sheriffs were all in attendance. Topics discussed included future opportunities to conduct OUI enforcement and boat training on Lake Michigan with the Coast Guard.

CPO Farber attended ARIDE training at the Region 2 Office in Bartlett.

CPO Farber arrested a North Point Marina slip holder for OUI. The subject made several unsuccessful attempts at backing his boat into the slip. The watercraft registration had also been expired since June 2014. The operator showed many signs of impairment. The subject refused testing.

CPO Farber arrested two Chicago men for failure to immediately release short fish. The subjects were in possession of an 18 inch Northern Pike.

CPO V. Smith issued three citations for exposure of genitals in a posted restricted area, two citations for pollution of waterway and three citations for possession of alcohol in a posted restricted area while patrolling Illinois Beach State Park.

CPO V. Smith issued two written warnings for fishing without a fishing license and no salmon stamp, two written warnings for no flares while boating on Lake Michigan, one written warning for uncovered battery terminals, seven written warnings for possession of alcohol in a posted restricted area while patrolling North Point Marina and Illinois Beach State Park.

CPO V. Smith and CPO W. Gilmer went on two Lake Michigan boat patrols

CPO V. Smith attended ARIDE Training at a Region Office.

CPO V. Smith and CPO J. Mooi investigated a boat accident on the Fox River.

REGION 3 – Captain Jim Mayes

District 11 – Sgt. Brian McReynolds

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

MOULTRIE COUNTY

CPO Barnes arrested a Bethany, Findlay and Sullivan subject for possession of cannabis and drug paraphernalia on the Shelbyville Fish and Wildlife Area in Moultrie County.

SHELBY COUNTY

CPOs Moody and Barnes arrested a Fairmount man on Lake Shelbyville for OUI. The CPOs were traveling down lake when the man pulled alongside them and waved them down to ask for directions. As they were speaking the man and his passenger fell off of their wave runner for no apparent reason. The man had a .102 BAC.

CPOs Mueller and Greuel while on boat patrol on Lake Shelbyville arrested a Champaign man for operating a watercraft under the influence of alcohol with a .125 BAC after the boat made a wake in a No Wake area.

CPO Moody cited three New Lennox men at the Lake Mattoon Dam for pollution of a waterway after they were observed leaving a large amount of trash along the shore.

CPO Moody and Sgt. McReynolds investigated a pollution case in which a local company had allowed substances to leave their property which was causing the water flowing into a creek nearly a mile away to be bright red. Investigation continues with assistance from IL EPA.

CPO Moody cited a Strasburg man and a Strasburg woman for possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of cannabis at the Lake Mattoon Dam.

CPO Moody cited a Herrick man for failing to pay camping fees after he continually would camp and sneak out prior to paying at Hidden Springs State Forest.

Sgt. McReynolds responded to an on-going complaint on the Kaskaskia River at the Copeland Bridge. Two cars with several individuals were in the no parking area. Sgt. McReynolds arrested five minors from Macon County for unlawful consumption of alcohol by minor and possession of 2.5-10 grams of cannabis. Shelbyville Police Department and Shelby County Sheriff's Office assisted by transporting the subjects to the Shelby County Jail.

District 19 – Sgt. John Williamson

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

DEWITT COUNTY

CPO Wright and CPO Viverito were working Clinton Lake when they observed a vehicle not use a turn signal. During the traffic stop, it was found that three children in the back were not in any type of child restraint system. All three were 6 years of age and under. Also the passenger had a warrant out of Champaign County. The passenger was taken to DeWitt County Jail and the driver was issued a citation with a court appearance for not having the children properly secured.

CPO Schultz observed a large speed boat traveling at a high rate of speed and making erratic turns at Clinton Lake. A boat stop was conducted. During the inspection the operator stated he had only consumed two beers. After completing the inspection and field sobriety testing, the operator was found to have a BAC of .176, over twice the legal limit. He continued to say he had only consumed two beers. The man was arrested for OUI, multiple citations and written warnings were issued.

CPO Schultz conducted a boat patrol using the new Sea Ark work boat on Clinton Lake. Numerous fishing and pleasure boats were checked resulting in seven written warnings being issued.

CPOs Schultz and Viverito were patrolling Clinton Lake State Park on the Fourth of July for unlawful fireworks in the campgrounds. As CPO Schultz drove past a group of individuals walking, both officers smelled a strong odor of burnt cannabis. After a brief interview with a nearby family, a male subject in the group admitted to and produced a brown cannabis cigar. The subject later tried to destroy seized evidence which resulted in multiple Class A citations being issued.

MACON COUNTY

CPO Wright and Sgt. Williamson were patrolling Lake Decatur on the holiday weekend when they observed a boat break the no wake zone. During the stop they noticed the operator may have had a bit too much to drink. The operator was arrested for OUI and his BAC was 0.221.

CPO Wright arrested a Macon County man during a motorist assist that was wanted out of Sangamon and Montgomery County for a warrant.

While patrolling Lake Decatur, Sgt. Williamson and CPO Wright encountered a Decatur man that was violating the no wake under the Rte 36 bridge. After stopping him, he stated that he just wanted to get away from the drunken crazies on the other side of the bridge so he could watch the fireworks. During the stop, Sgt. Williamson noticed a strong smell of an alcoholic beverage. After field sobriety testing the subject was found to be OUI and had a BAC of .17%.

VERMILION COUNTY

CPO Cottrell located two individuals from Indiana fishing along the Vermilion River south of Danville. One individual fled to a nearby vehicle while the second subject attempted to hide fishing poles and other gear along a nearby trail and wooded area. CPO Cottrell was able to apprehend both subjects along with their gear and both were cited for fishing without a valid non-resident fishing license.

REGION 4 – Captain Jamie Maul

District 9 – Sgt. Mark Wagner

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

ADAMS COUNTY

CPO Myers received information from Scott Ballard of a pet store in Quincy in possession of five live and four deceased Bark Scorpions. Scott Ballard had retrieved information from Facebook. A woman had brought back a pregnant Bark Scorpion and it had died giving birth to eight young. Bark Scorpions are highly venomous. The investigation is pending.

JERSEY COUNTY

CPO Goetten was working flood disaster duty in Grafton. Despite the river being closed, a boat was observed being operated through town late at night without lights. Upon stopping the boat, it was determined the occupants were coming from a bar on the other end of town. The boat did not have any of the required safety equipment on board. CPO Goetten identified the operator as a local resident. CPO Goetten advised the occupants to park the boat for the remainder of the night and let the operator go with a verbal warning for all violations. Twenty minutes later, CPO Goetten observed the same boat being operated by the same operator. The subject claimed he wanted to go talk to his girlfriend who was still at the bar. He was issued citations for operating a watercraft without lights and operating a watercraft without the appropriate PFD.

HANCOCK COUNTY

CPO Wheatley received a disposition of a subject who was found guilty of possession of drug paraphernalia. The subject paid a total fine and court cost of \$1500. The possession of less than 2.5 grams of cannabis was dismissed.

PIKE COUNTY

CPO Myers conducted a traffic stop near the Park and Fish lot at Saverton Dam outside Hull. He met a Jeep with three adult males and two children under the age of 8. Neither child was in a child restraint and one was sitting on the lap of the front seat passenger. During the stop, the driver had a revoked license (he told me he had not had a license for about 20 years). He also had no proof of insurance.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

CPO Goetten was participating in a detail at Lake Lou Yaeger boat launch. A boat was observed being operated with two passengers standing on the back of the boat and holding onto the overhead ski bar. An officer with Litchfield Police Department later stopped the boat for the violation and issued the operator a written warning. The following day, CPO Goetten was patrolling the lake by boat. The same boat was observed committing the same violation. Upon stopping the boat, the operator admitted he was warned the previous day for the same violation. He was issued citations for careless operation of a watercraft and unlawful passenger location.

CPOs Gushleff and Lentz were participating in a detail at Lake Lou Yaeger. CPO Lentz observed a watercraft which had been stopped earlier in the evening at the boat ramp. The operator of the watercraft had been cited for overloading a watercraft by CPO French. Field Sobriety Test was performed on the operator. The operator was close to being impaired and was warned about his alcohol consumption. CPOs Gushleff and Lentz observed the same subject operating the same watercraft with a beer in his hand. Upon stopping the watercraft, the operator had moderate odor of alcohol on his breath, slurred speech, showed numerous signs of impairment during field sobriety test, and was arrested for operation of a watercraft while under the influence. He took a breath test and the result was a BAC of .101.

District 10 – Sgt. Chris Stone

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

CASS COUNTY

CPO Cochran received information from Sgt. Stone regarding a camper who had abandoned a campsite at Jim Edgar Panther Creek without paying. The camper also left ruts in the grass where the subjects had driven their vehicle back to the primitive campsite to unload. After an investigation by CPO Cochran, the subjects were located and cited for possession of alcohol in the campground and operating a vehicle in a posted prohibited area.

CHRISTIAN COUNTY

CPO Cochran received a complaint from tenants camping at Sangchris Lake State Park in Hickory Point Campground regarding a camper in the primitive camping area being loud and yelling in the middle of the night. CPO Cochran interviewed the subject the following day. The subject admitted to causing a disturbance the night before and apologized for his actions. After further investigation, the subject was found to be wanted on a warrant and subsequently arrested and transported to the Christian County Jail.

CPO Cochran conducted a compliance check on people he observed fishing. One of the individuals did not have a fishing license. While issuing a citation for fishing without a license, the subject was subsequently found to be wanted on a warrant. The subject was transported to the Christian County Jail.

CPO Swance was patrolling Sangchris Lake State Park and observed a suspicious vehicle parked alongside the road in the campgrounds. A routine check revealed the registered owner was a convicted sexual predator involving a victim under 18 years old. Contact was made and the man admitted to the previous sex crime arrests. The subject was removed from the park and charges are pending.

MENARD COUNTY

CPO Bettis, along with assistance from Menard County Rescue, Menard County Sheriff's Office, Oakford Fire Department, and a volunteer pilot flying a crop dusting plane, located and rescued a boat accident victim from the swollen flooded waters of the Sangamon River near Oakford. The boat had struck a railroad bridge and capsized, causing the operator, who was the lone occupant, to be washed a great distance downstream while holding onto a floating gas can. The operator, who was not injured, was issued a citation for careless operation of a watercraft.

SANGAMON COUNTY

CPO Cochran assisted the Illinois State Police, Springfield Police Department, and Sangamon County Sheriff's Office in the search for a fleeing suspect involved in a home invasion with shots fired. CPO Cochran located the subject traveling northbound on I-55 and apprehended the suspect with the assistance of three other ISP Troopers. The suspect was transported to the Sangamon County Jail and the investigation is ongoing by the Sangamon County Sheriff's Office.

CPO Swance investigated a suspicious vehicle parked at a boat ramp at Lake Springfield. He found a subject in possession of several capped and uncapped syringes which he claimed to have already used with heroin. A routine check revealed the persons' driver's licenses was revoked. The items used for the heroin were placed in appropriate hazmat and sharp receptacles. The suspect's vehicle was towed and charges are pending.

CPOs Swance and Elliot were patrolling Lake Springfield when they encountered a boat displaying both Indiana and Illinois registration. After a short discussion with the operator and occupants, it was noted that three passengers were under the legal age to drink and the operator was impaired. The boat was towed and the operator was arrested for operating a watercraft while under the influence of alcohol (OUI).

District 13 – Sgt. Eric Manker

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

CLINTON COUNTY

CPO Tapley and CPO French conducted a boat stop in response to a man swinging from the awning of a watercraft and standing up riding on the sundeck. A check of the boat revealed a child under the age of thirteen was not wearing a lifejacket. The operator showed several signs of impairment during field sobriety test and was arrested. The subject provided a breath sample of .103. The subject was transported to the Clinton County Jail. The boat was towed to a boat launch by the CPOs to await a sober driver.

MADISON COUNTY

CPO French cited a Massachusetts man for possession of cannabis along the Cahokia Canal in Edwardsville.

While CPO Rolfingsmeier conducted a compliance check on a fisherman at Horseshoe Lake State Park, the fisherman could not provide a valid sport fishing license and was wanted on a warrant out of St. Clair County. The fisherman was arrested on the warrant and issued a citation for fishing without a valid fishing license.

CPOs Rolfingsmeier and Ray conducted an investigation on an oil pipeline spill near Pocahontas. Approximately 4300 gallons of oil spilled into Silver Creek and Silver Lake. The investigation is pending.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

CPO French and CPO Lentz were conducting a boat inspection on a Granite City man. During the course of the inspection they discovered a hitter pipe and cannabis. The subject was arrested for drug paraphernalia and less than 2.5 grams of cannabis.

CPO Goetten and CPO French were checking boats at Lake Glen Shoals. They observed a female on a boat throw trash in the water. While walking to the boat launch, they observed a male subject chug a beer and walk past them towards the parking lot. They went out to speak with the boat occupants. During the boat stop, a truck and trailer drove down to the boat launch. The driver stumbled out of the vehicle. It was the same subject which had chugged the beer. CPO French talked to the subject and performed field sobriety tests on the subject. The subject showed signs of extreme impairment and was taken into custody for driving under the influence and operating a motor vehicle while license

revoked. This was the 22 year old subject's third driving under the influence charge. The subject was transported to Montgomery County Jail. He refused the breath test.

ST. CLAIR COUNTY

CPO French stopped a vehicle in Frank Holten State Park for operating a motor vehicle while license suspended. Driver was cited and valid driver took over the vehicle.

REGION 5 – Captain Tim Daiber

District 14 – Sgt. Jeff Cariens

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

FRANKLIN COUNTY

CPO Lay arrested a Mt. Zion man for operating a watercraft under the influence of alcohol while on Rend Lake. The arrest was made during the state's observance of Operation Dry Water weekend. The operator submitted to a breath test and was found to have a breath alcohol concentration of .12%.

Several District 14 CPOs patrolled the waters of Rend Lake for the first annual Blue Gill Festival. During this patrol CPOs Jourdan and Johnson arrested intoxicated boaters. CPO Johnson's OUI registered .239% while CPO Jourdan's OUI refused the requested tests. Both intoxicated operators were bonded out of the Franklin County Jail. Several thousand people attended the event which coincided with the fireworks also displayed at the lake.

CPO Lay investigated a theft that occurred at Wayne Fitzgerald State Park. Three air compressors (due for turn in) were found to have been taken from a holding area within the park.

CPO Williams arrested a subject for operation of a watercraft under the influence of alcohol at Rend Lake. The subject had a BAC of .118%. Citations were issued for OUI, BAC over 0.08% and operation of an unnumbered watercraft.

Two juveniles walked away from an assessment at the Franklin County Juvenile Detention Center. CPO Williams noticed the two walking along railroad tracks near the detention center at the time of the radio broadcast. The males were spotted again on another set of tracks but fled into the woods. The males were later located and returned to the detention facility. CPO Williams issued two Illinois Vehicle Code citations for trespass to railroad right of ways to both males.

Sgt. Cariens issued a citation to a man who was running a bass tournament on Rend Lake without a permit. The tournament was held at the Sailboat Harbor the same time another permitted tournament was going on. The additional boats and weigh-in caused unnecessary congestion and traffic issues around the boat ramps.

JEFFERSON COUNTY

Region 5 CPOs attended ARIDE (Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement) training at the National Guard Armory in Mt. Vernon. The class was taught by ARIDE instructors from the Illinois State Police.

CPO Jourdan investigated vandalism at the Ten Mile Creek State Fish & Wildlife Area, Eads Unit. Spray paint was used to mark the boat dock, concrete boat ramp and parking area with graffiti and profanity. The vandalism remains under investigation.

POPE COUNTY

CPO Johnson attended a meeting with the Juvenile Justice Program. The meeting was held to plan a field day for underprivileged youth in Pope County. The youth will attend a day where they have multiple stations of activities. The activities include riding horses, archery, fishing, and swimming at Lake Glendale. CPO Johnson will assist as a mentor/coach to provide youth with information about career planning.

District 15 – Sgt. Dave Hyatt

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

EFFINGHAM COUNTY

CPOs Smith and Compton patrolled Lake Sara during their fireworks celebration. Numerous boat inspections were conducted. Enforcement included one citation for personal flotation violation, one written warning for PFD violation, and one written warning for unnumbered watercraft.

LAWRENCE COUNTY

While patrolling Red Hills State Park, Sgt Hyatt and CPO D.Taylor, checked two fishermen fishing off the boat docks. Neither of the two fisherman had a fishing license on them. Further investigation revealed one of the subjects was a sexual predator. The sexual predator was arrested and transported to the Lawrence County Jail.

MARION COUNTY

CPO Smith was patrolling Forbes Lake and issued one citation for personal flotation device, one citation for alcohol in a prohibited area, two written warnings for PFD violations, one written warning for fire extinguisher, one written warning for alcohol in a prohibited area, and one written warning for no wake.

CPO Smith and Sgt. Hyatt were patrolling Forbes Lake State Park and observed an individual urinating next to his vehicle in Sassafras picnic area. CPO Smith and Sgt. Hyatt turned around and entered the area and observed the vehicle traveling towards them. The vehicle stopped and the operator jumped out and retrieved his dog. CPO Smith approached the individual and detected an odor of alcohol protruding from his expelled breath. CPO Smith found an open container of Bud Light sitting within the interior of the vehicle as well. A check with ISP revealed the subject's driving privileges were revoked. CPO Smith conducted sobriety testing and placed the driver under arrest for DUI. One citation was issued for DUI, one for unlawful transportation of open alcohol, and one for driving with a revoked driver's license.

RICHLAND COUNTY

While on boat patrol on East Fork Lake, CPO D. Taylor conducted numerous boat checks. Two boats had insufficient number of life jackets.

District 16 – Sgt. Kris Taylor

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

JACKSON COUNTY

CPO Vasicek along with intern Newbold was checking recreational boaters at Kinkaid Lake. One of the operators checked was showing signs of intoxication. After failing field sobriety testing the operator was arrested for OUI and subsequently submitted a breath sample of .116% BAC

WILLIAMSON COUNTY

CPO Thompson and CPO Somers conducted boat patrols on Lake of Egypt while dodging numerous thunderstorms passing through the area. Several written warnings were issued for minor violations and several "Y-NOT" program orange flags were distributed.