

Elmhurst Police Department
Annual Report
2013



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"Providing the Best"

March 29, 2014

Mr. James Grabowski, City Manager
City of Elmhurst
209 N. York St.
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Dear City Manager Grabowski:

On behalf of the men and women of the Elmhurst Police Department, I am pleased to present our Annual Report for 2013. This is our second annual report which has been designed to be a resource for municipal officials, law enforcement professionals, students, journalists and the people who live and work in the City of Elmhurst.

This Annual Report contains updated information about the many services which we provide to the residents and the City of Elmhurst. This report also contains a current employee organizational chart, a detailed description of each unit within the department, as well as specialized assignments and mutual aid participation. Also included is a statistical section which summarizes important data and identified emerging trends. I am pleased to report for the second year in row that overall crime in the City is down compared to year 2012, while the level of service which we provide, measured as calls for service decreased by -1.72%. It should be noted that the decreasing trend of residential burglary dropped by -59% as compared to 2012. I attribute this reduction as a result of our community policing initiatives, increased police visibility and continued use of technology.

The men and women of the Elmhurst Police Department remain committed to service and excellence. I would like to extend my personal appreciation to our citizens, Mayor Steven Morley, the members of the City Council, City Manager Grabowski and the employees of the Elmhurst Police Department for their continued support of the professional services within our community.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Ruth
Chief of Police
MRR/smd

2013 Elmhurst Police Department

Annual Report

Executive Summary

The Police Department is again pleased to report that overall crime within the City of Elmhurst fell by -9.15% in 2013. The 9-1-1 service call workload decreased from the previous years by -5.35%. Overall, police service decreased slightly while overall crime was down reaching five year lows.

While it remains important to recognize general and specific crime trends, it is also beneficial to identify and assess the general components of those trends. A close examination of the statistical analysis provides great insight by allowing the police department to more effectively deploy our staffing and implement programs which will address the short term and long term needs of the community.

In 2013, we took a more proactive role in responding to local and county-wide burglary trends by analyzing data and sharing information with other local police agencies. A greater emphasis was placed on bringing marked police patrol cars into residential neighborhoods to create a more visible police presence. Additionally, uniformed police officers initiated residential neighborhood foot-patrols to engage and promote a cooperative relationship between the police and the community we serve. Although manpower intensive, I believe that these continuing efforts have helped to reduce the number of residential burglaries in our community to this historic low.

In addition, during the summer of 2013, the Elmhurst Police Bicycle Patrol was reactivated. This program placed specially trained uniformed police officers on police bicycles throughout our community. Bicycle patrol officers are encouraged to engage our youth who are in the community parks, while also providing specialized patrols on the Prairie Path and residential neighborhoods throughout the City.

Throughout the year, we continue to review our policies and procedures to ensure we limit departmental liability, while continuing to provide the highest level of service to our community.

CALLS FOR SERVICE

Our 2013 9-1-1 calls for service decreased to 15,645 from 16,529 in 2012. This represents a decrease of -5.35% as compared to 2012. We will continue to monitor the calls for service in 2014 to determine if there are any emerging trends and respond accordingly. The significant crime trends that we noticed last year in 2013 were decreases in Residential Burglary -59%, Robbery -67%, Rape -50% and Motor Vehicle Theft -15.38%.

The reported incidents of Theft increased by 38%, with Forgery, Deceptive Practice and Credit Card Fraud accounting for a majority of this increase.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

I am proud of the accomplishments of our staff in 2013. Throughout the year, we have received many letters from residents and other law enforcement agencies expressing their appreciation for the quality and level of service, which we have provided. In addition, our employees also received letters of commendation, letters of appreciation and lifesaving awards.

Charles R. Kaiser
Elmhurst, IL 60126

November 12, 2013

Chief Michael R. Ruth
Chief of Police
Elmhurst Police Department
125 E. First St.
Elmhurst, IL 60126

Dear Chief Ruth:

Just a quick note to recognize the excellent response your department rendered last Sunday, November 10th.

My great daughter, Christine, and our son, Steven, were in front of their house at around 10:00 am she was departing for the morning. She was concerned enough to alert your department as a caution. Actually I had hired workers of Latin descent to work in my house. Within minutes your officer was at my door before their entry checking out the status.

Please pass on a thank you to that officer for the quick service. While this was a false alarm it's reassuring to know we have your great support from your department. We've lived in Elmhurst 40 years and have relied on your department in the past. Thank you for that.


Charles R. Kaiser

Thankyou for protecting our town and
our commutide.
From Grace and Francesca



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Chief of Police: John M. Jones

September 9th, 2013

Chief Michael Ruth
Elmhurst Police Dept.
125 E. First St.
Elmhurst, IL 60126

Re: McHenry NIPAS Callout / Attention to Duty Recognition

Chief Ruth,

Please accept this written correspondence as recognition to NIPAS (EST) team member Officer Marcin Scislowicz for assistance regarding a barricaded subject incident in McHenry, Illinois.

On September 7th, 2013 at approximately 03:11 hours the McHenry Police responded to 3413 W. Elm Street for the report of a disturbance involving a knife attack. Upon arrival, the offender in this incident (armed with a knife) fled the scene by scaling the two-story building located at 3413 W. Elm Street, McHenry, Illinois, subsequently barricading himself on the roof top. The offender, who was wanted for two outstanding warrants and new felony charges, began to threaten the officers from the rooftop. The offender then began to fire the revolver making them leave the building and throw them at the officers and emergency responding vehicles. The offender stood and waited on the edge of the building with no regard for his own safety while continuously threatening and challenging the officers to come get him.

The NIPAS Emergency Services Team was activated and responded to the scene. NIPAS team member Scislowicz responded to McHenry to assist us with this incident. Swift action was taken by NIPAS to secure the perimeter, enter the building and make contact with the offender. These actions ultimately lead to the peaceful surrender of the offender.

Often times the actions of assisting agencies and individual officers go unnoticed. I am therefore taking this opportunity to recognize NIPAS team member Marcin Scislowicz for his Attention to Duty. His actions and assistance have helped in making the community of McHenry a safer place.

Sincerely,

John M. Jones
Chief of Police



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LOOKING FORWARD

Here are some of the things we are working on for 2014:

- Continue the Community Based Policing Model
- Expand interaction and communication with our schools
- Continue directed foot-patrols for our parks and residential neighborhoods
- Continue bicycle patrols with an emphasis on residential neighborhoods
- Implement a series of Interactive Neighborhood Roll-calls where officers receive shift briefing, assignments and inspection in the community
- Host a Citizens Police Academy
- Host a series of community based policing presentations at Police Headquarters and within the community
- Implement a Neighborhood Watch Program
- Implement a Business Watch Program
- The continuation of professional development training
- Continue implementation of the patrol rifle program
- Continue to evaluate current department policies and procedures to improve service and efficiency
- Improve data collection, analysis, and reporting
- Analyze crime trends and calls for service to provide the highest level of service for the City and its residents



The men and women of the Elmhurst Police Department are committed to their mission of protecting the residents of Elmhurst and ***“Providing the Best”*** while enforcing the law. We look forward to improving the quality of our department through training, evaluation of current procedures and consideration of future programs. We look forward to working with the City Manager, Mayor and members of the City Council, along with residents of the community to address specific needs of our residents and to maintain that Elmhurst is a great place to live, work, shop and stay.

Mission Statement

Our Motto

"Providing the Best"

- **We believe** the public must have confidence, trust and faith in the ability of every Elmhurst police officer to efficiently and reliably perform their duties.
- **Therefore, our mission** is to create a feeling of safety and security in all of our citizens by *providing the best* law enforcement service.
- **We will do our best** to safeguard all people in the City of Elmhurst and insure the quality of life for all through effective and efficient delivery of law enforcement.
- **We believe that human resources** represent our community's single largest and most important investment. Therefore, we are committed to excellence in our profession and will do our best to fine tune all of our job skills. We recognize that good interpersonal communication skills are absolutely necessary to perform our duties in an efficient manner.
- **We will *provide the best*** by continually being sensitive to the authority which we are entrusted and to ensure that it is consistent with our responsibility to protect the public with fairness and equality.
- **We will *provide the best*** quality of work by our professional and personal commitment to devote to the community and all its people the highest level of law enforcement services in response to ever changing needs by promoting justice, equality, fairness, honesty, integrity, legality and dedication; both for the police department and to the public we serve.

VALUES

INTEGRITY ★ COURAGE ★ EXCELLENCE ★ DEDICATION ★ COMPASSION ★ RESPECT





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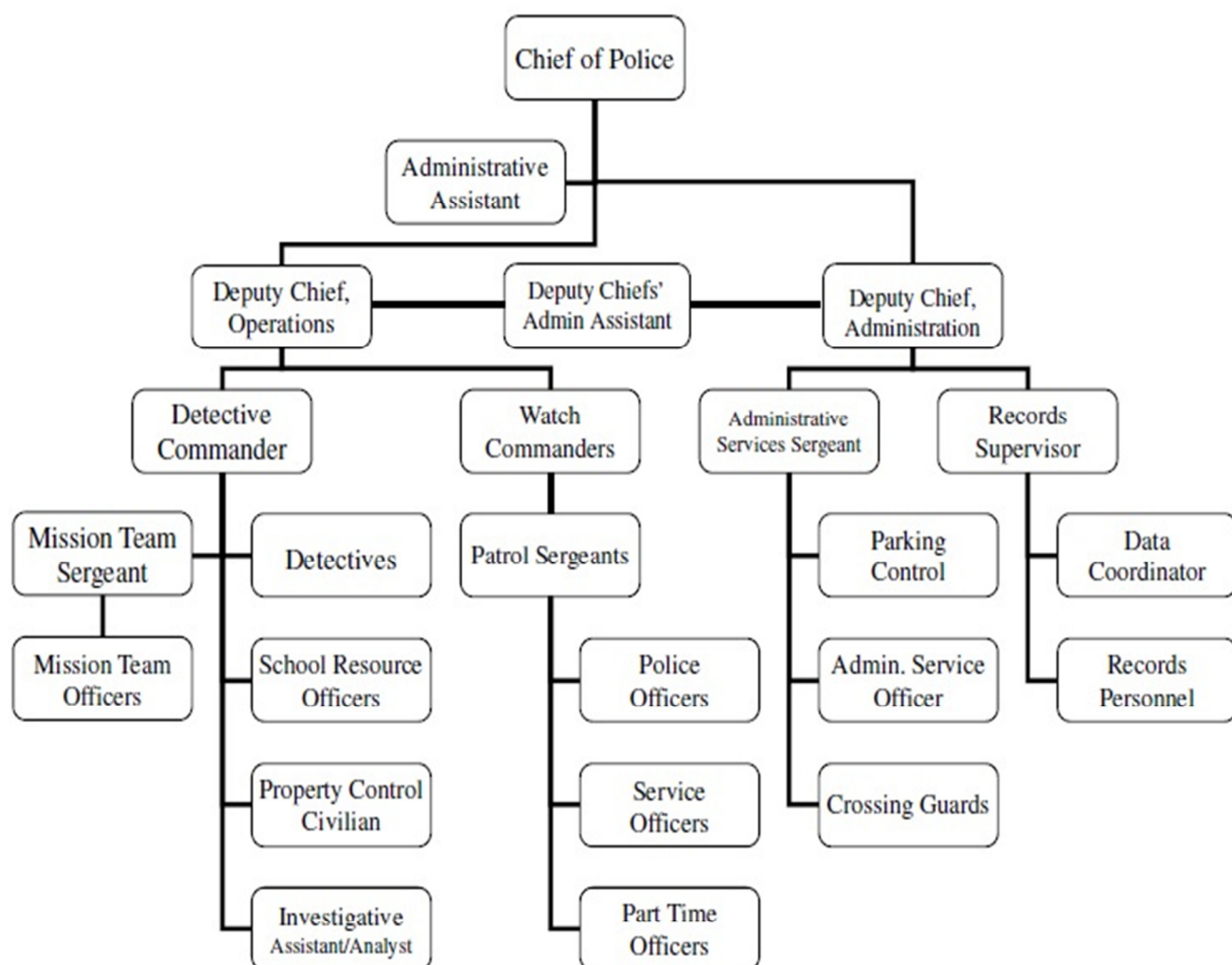
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2013 ORGANIZATIONAL
COMPONENT SUMMARIES

Office of the Chief

The Office of the Chief consists of the Chief of Police, senior management team, and support staff. The role of this office is to provide leadership, direction and vision to the Department in the fulfillment of its overall mission. The Department is led by **Chief Michael R. Ruth** who has served as Elmhurst Police Chief since 2012. Chief Ruth brings 35 years of Law Enforcement experience to our agency. Police Administration is led by **Deputy Chief Dominic Panico** who has served since 1981. Police Operations is led by **Deputy Chief James Kveton** who has served since 1985. In addition, providing critical support services are **Administrative Assistant to the Chief of Police Susan Duffy** and **Administrative Assistant to the Deputy Chiefs Jennifer McKeown** who have a combined law enforcement service of 62 years.

Elmhurst Police Department – Organization Chart



Police Operations

Patrol Division

The Patrol Division is the largest component of the Elmhurst Police Department. The Patrol Division is responsible for responding to both emergency and non-emergency calls for service from the public, handling special assignments and proactively addressing community concerns. Patrol Officers are responsible for protection of life and property, helping to maintain peace, order and safety to all, conducting preliminary investigations, enforcing the Illinois Criminal Code and traffic laws, as well as City Ordinances. The Elmhurst Police Department encourages Patrol Officers to take a proactive approach to interaction with the community. During 2013, Patrol Officers responded to 42,117 total calls for service regarding criminal offenses, traffic crashes, alarm activations, disturbances, traffic complaints, traffic stops and other miscellaneous events.

The Patrol Division is divided into three shifts in order to provide continuous 24-hour police service. Each shift is supervised by a Watch Commander, Sergeant or Officer in Charge. The Department supplements traditional patrol units with Officers trained to perform ancillary functions such as that of Evidence Technicians, Field Training Officer, Canine Officer, and DARE Officer.



Midnight Shift Activity

Cross training on the midnight shift consisted of:

- 320 hours of cross training with the Detective Division
- 32 hours cross training with the COPP unit

Days/Afternoon Shift Activity - Community Engagement

Community engagement is vital to ensure the mission of protecting the community and the work of the police department. To build and improve the partnership between the community and the police department has begun to focus upon various initiatives that will be changing due to the shift, time of year and current events.

The Elmhurst Police Department feels that making contact with the community is essential. An officer in the squad is generally seen as the enforcer, but an officer stopping and talking will help promote the goodwill and a partnering relationship with the community. As officers, we know there are a lot of good people in the community going about their day; we can stop, get out and interact with them.

Elmhurst Police Officers have been seen engaging the community at block parties, downtown areas, parks, and schools and interacting with the public in their neighborhoods.



Investigations Division

The Investigations Division is supervised by Detective Commander Robert J. Nicholas. The Investigative Division is made up of six Investigators, one Narcotics Officer assigned to the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), two School Resource Officers, one Crime Analysis Assistant and an Evidence Custodian. A polygraph operator, now assigned to the patrol division as a street supervisor, will on occasion assist the Division when needed to determine the truthfulness of suspects in both minor and major crimes.

These investigators are trained and experienced Detectives who specialize in investigating and solving crimes such as burglary, auto theft, document crimes, robbery, death investigations, identity theft and assault and batteries. During the courses of their investigations, they may be call on to interview witnesses and victims, and interrogate suspects and offenders. Furthermore, crime scenes also may need to be examined in hopes of identifying suspects through physical evidence.

The investigators follow up on crimes that are reported to the uniformed patrol division. Certain cases are then assigned to the investigator, either because it is their area of expertise or because of their on call status. Each of the members of the Division serve on a continual on call status, knowing that due to the nature of the reported crime, they may need to change their schedule on a moment's notice. They are subject to call 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Throughout the year, members of the Division are called upon to work with other local and sometimes state and federal agencies to conduct serious and sometime complex cases.

In 2013, 566 cases were reviewed. Of those, 242 were assigned for investigation:

Homicide	0
Death Investigations	9
Sex Crimes	5
Burglary	15
Thefts (Include Burglary to MV)	97
Assault/Battery	9
Narcotics	2
Financial Crimes (Does not include Identity Theft)	26
Property Damage	9
Other	70
Total	242

Detectives conducted 48 background checks in 2013. Thirty-two backgrounds were police applicants, 6 were fire applicants, 10 liquor applicants. One hundred additional backgrounds were conducted on solicitor and charitable games permit applications.



Crime Analysis Assistant

The Crime Analysis assistant is proficient in the use of computers and the statistical programs that are programed to strategically map out possible criminal activity. The data that is compiled during the investigation can be used tactically, strategically or administratively. The data that is retrieved from these data bases are used to create visual presentations, such as crime bulletins, crime patterns, suspect intelligence information, maps and graphs to show detectives, patrol officers or other outside law enforcement agencies. By having this critical information, investigators can be proactive in their approach to solving crimes. The Crime Analysis Assistant plays an important role in increasing apprehensions of criminals and clearing of cases.

School Resource Officers

The Elmhurst Police Department currently has two plain clothes detectives assigned to the high school. The primary goal of the two School Resource Officers is to develop a safe and secure environment within the schools. They work collaboratively with administrators, educators, staff and parents to make this possible. The two School Resource Officers have the responsibility of working with the administrators of three high schools, three middle schools and elementary schools. The roles and responsibilities of School Resource Officer is similar to those of the Investigators; they have the ability to conduct criminal investigations, respond to calls for service within the schools and document information that is collected during the normal course of their duties. They also take on the responsibility of planning courses of instruction that are current in relation to youth related issues. By playing the role of a coach, teacher and mentor, they not only play a significant part in the growth of students in school, but better community relationships are developed between the police department and the residents of Elmhurst.

Major Crimes Task Force

The Elmhurst Police Department has three Investigators assigned to the Major Crimes Task Force: the Detective Commander and two Detectives. In 2013, the Detectives were called out on two separate occasions to assist the requesting agencies in tracking down leads in the cases. The responsible parties in both investigations were taken into custody and later charged with crimes.

Community Oriented Policing Program (COPP)

The COPP team is made up of three officers and a Sergeant who work in plain clothes and target criminal activity that a uniformed officer would be unable to investigate. During the year, the COPP team conducted numerous narcotic investigations, developed confidential informants, which led to narcotic delivery cases and assisted other police departments in sharing information. The team also assisted the patrol and detective divisions when needed.



Below is a list of highlights for 2013:

- Received grant money from the State of Illinois for alcohol/tobacco compliance checks.
- Conducted three alcohol/compliance checks throughout the year.
- Assisted the patrol division when manpower was low - COPP officers worked in uniformed patrol on 32 shifts during 2013.
- Conducted numerous narcotics investigations leading to the arrest of drug dealers selling narcotics to customers in town
- Assisted other police agencies with drug investigations and arrests.
- Assisted DEA with a major drug investigation resulting in the seizure of \$787,000, part of which will be forfeited to the Elmhurst Police Department.
- The COPP Unit arrested and charged a suspect with "Solicitation to Commit Murder" after the suspect tried to hire an undercover Elmhurst Police Officer to murder a former business associate. The investigation led the COPP Unit and an Elmhurst DEA Task Force Agent to a home in Lincolnwood, Illinois. A search of the Lincolnwood address resulted in the recovery of 3,929 grams of Cannabis, 3,300 grams of Cocaine, 567 grams of Heroin, 5,352 grams of MDMA, 39 grams of Psilocybin mushrooms and \$7,600 USC which will be forfeited to the Elmhurst Police Department.
- In January of 2013, the COPP Unit executed a search warrant of an Elmhurst College student's apartment and recovered 279 grams of Cannabis and 18 grams of candy containing GHB, a known "Date Rape Drug." The suspect admitted supplying Cannabis to numerous Elmhurst College students.
- In January of 2013, the COPP Unit executed a search warrant at a residence in Elmhurst and recovered 730 grams of Cannabis and 1,053 grams of candy laced with Cannabis.
- As part of a drug investigation, the COPP unit worked with a confidential informant who contacted his Heroin supplier. The supplier agreed to deliver Heroin to a pre-determined location in Elmhurst. As the supplier arrived in town, he was apprehended by the COPP Unit. COPP officers subsequently recovered 5.1 grams of Heroin from the vehicle, along with a loaded 9mm pistol found on the vehicle floorboard at the feet of the front seat passenger.
- As part of a drug investigation, the COPP Unit arrested an Elmhurst resident who had been selling Heroin to local high school and college students. A search of the suspect's residence recovered 13.5 grams of Heroin.
- In March of 2013, the COPP unit executed a search warrant at the residence of another Elmhurst College student who was supplying college students with Cannabis. COPP officers recovered 25 grams of Cannabis from his residence.
- In June of 2013, COPP officers apprehended and charged two suspects with Forgery and Possession of 60 stolen gift cards and counterfeit credit cards. The suspects were identified while COPP officers were on patrol and noticed a suspicious vehicle driving to Dominick's Food stores in Elmhurst and Bensenville.
- Ofc. Torza assisted Detectives, DEA, the COPP team and other police agencies with Forensic searches of cell phones to assist with numerous investigations. Some of these investigations included a child pornography investigation, a Homicide investigation for



the Addison Police Department and a money laundering case for DEA.

- Ofc. Torza, who has been trained in computer undercover Chat courses, posed as a 15 year old female minor over the Internet. Ofc. Torza subsequently identified and arrested three adult males who met at pre-determined locations with the intent to have sex with the fictitious minors.
- Presented several community talks ranging from internet safety and the function of the COPP unit to deal with problems in the community.
- Provided Elmhurst College resident assistants with training in drug recognition and signs of alcohol and drug use.
- Confiscated 17 motor vehicles for forfeiture.
- Towed 25 vehicles administratively in 2013.
- Over \$812,000 seized for forfeiture including \$794,675 seized from an assist to the DEA.
- Recovered 14,776 grams of Cannabis
- Recovered 644.6 grams of Heroin
- Recovered 3,370.7 grams of Cocaine
- Recovered 5,950 pills of MDMA (Ecstasy)
- Recovered 3,432 pills of Controlled Substances
- Recovered 39 grams of Psilocybin Mushrooms
- Recovered numerous items of drug paraphernalia, including syringes.
- 74 Arrests for Misdemeanor Drugs
- 33 Arrests for Criminal Misdemeanors
- 30 Arrests for Criminal Felonies
- 103 Arrests for Drug Felonies
- 4 Felony Warrants
- 18 Misdemeanor Warrants
- 108 City Ordinance Arrests
 - Liquor Violations
 - Cannabis Arrests
 - Drug Paraphernalia
 - Other Ordinance Arrests
- 83 Traffic Arrests
- 4 DUI Arrests

Goals:

- Continue to conduct alcohol/tobacco compliance checks
- Continue to conduct narcotic enforcement with a focus on local drug dealers
- Continue to develop confidential informants to further our investigations
- Assist the Detective and Patrol Divisions
- Develop patrol officers for future assignments in the COPP Unit and Investigations
- Send at least one COPP team member to mobile forensics training
- Conduct Roll Call training for managing drug informants
- Continue to conduct tactical training with ERT



- Work with City Attorneys to tackle the problems with synthetic drugs and pass an associated City ordinance
- Continue to conduct internet child predator cases
- Continue to develop a close relationship with the Patrol and Detective Divisions
- Continue to share information with other police departments and assist with their drug investigations, when needed.
- Conduct Heroin Highway Interdiction to combat heroin use
- Conduct Prostitution investigations at area hotels and establishments



Administrative Services

Records

The Records Division is a critical support function of the Elmhurst Police Department. The Records Division coordinates the Department's records retention program and is responsible for compiling, maintaining and disseminating copies of Department records concerning crimes, arrests, and traffic accidents to law enforcement agencies, authorized outside agencies and citizens.

In addition to providing assistance to the public, the Records Division is also responsible for a variety of complex and confidential administrative duties for the Police Department, some of which include:

- Maintain and process all citations, offense/incident reports and accident reports in the Department's records management system.
- The fulfillment of Freedom of Information requests.
- Process petitions, seals, and orders of expungements.
- Prepare statistical reports.
- Conduct background checks on conceal carry applicants.
- Register sex offenders and monitor sex offender registrations.
- Record and invoice alarm activations.
- Process warrants.
- Process subpoenas.
- Provide the Press with incident reports.

In 2013, the Records Division was staffed by one Supervisor and 6 Records Clerks – 3 full-time and 3 part-time. Records Supervisor Jodi Sennett, Records Clerks Jean Nelson, David Kochick, Christine Burg, Elizabeth Ignatius, Marian Hammerel, and Ashley Vinson.

2013 Accomplishments:

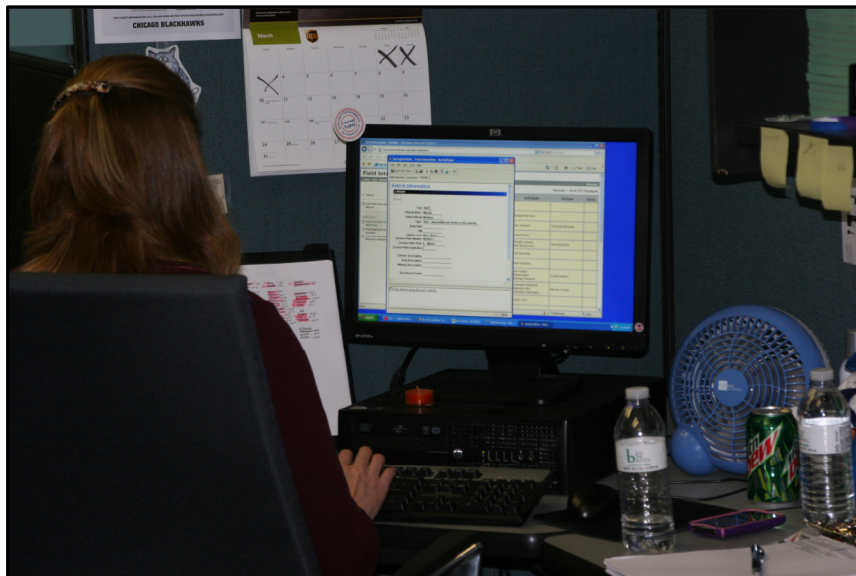
- Police Department handled 45,728 calls in 2013.
- Traffic tickets issued – 10,083
- Warning tickets issued – 4,594
 - Combined total - 14,677
- Parking tickets issued – 15,382, this includes 2,388 city vehicle license tickets.
- In 2013, 275 drivers were arrested for DUI Alcohol, resulting in a total of 460 counts for DUI Alcohol.
- In addition 14 drivers were arrested for DUI Drugs, resulting in a total of 16 counts for DUI Drugs, and 8 drivers were arrested for DUI Zero Tolerance (Underage drinking and driving violation).



- City Prosecution of DUI cases: the city continues with DUI prosecution for first time offenders. This program continues to be very successful with a consistent professional prosecutor who can locally work with our officers.

Vehicle related Citizen Assists included:

- 692 Lock Outs
- 101 Motorist Assists



Training

The Elmhurst Police Department conducts a variety of training throughout the year. Training is presented through printed materials, videos, online, driving school, and department communications. Officers also attend offsite classes and seminars. Topics cover policy and procedures, criminal law, local ordinances and traffic laws. Additionally, many of our officers hold specific certifications.

The majority of the training comes from North East Multi-Regional Training, Inc. (NEMRT) and Suburban Law Enforcement Academy (SLEA). The Intergovernmental Risk Management Agency (IRMA) provides training videos and nationally accredited driving courses. These courses focus on helping drivers to understand the safety and performance aspects of vehicle operation.

NEMRT provides a wide variety of courses to our officers. Some of the courses that we completed this year:

- Crimes Against The Elderly
- Gypsy Crime Investigations
- Domestic Violence/Crisis Intervention
- Advanced DUI Training

The Elmhurst Police Department is also a host agency for NEMRT. In 2013, Elmhurst Police hosted 53 training classes in our training room. Classes varied in length from 1 day to 1 week.

2013 Training Highlights

- 66 Sworn Officers
- 8,310.25 combined hours of training
- Average of 120 hours of training per sworn officer
- 6 new Recruits successfully completed the 480 hour Basic Police Officer's Course at SLEA

Specialty Units Training

Specialty Units (K-9, NIPAS, 5th District SWAT) participate in a minimum of 16 hours per month of *additional* training and a 40-hour block of skill set training twice per year. This level of training is consistent with the National Tactical Officers Association training guidelines.

2013 Summary of Training	
RANK	HOURS
Supervisor	875.25
Patrol	6533.75
Detective	416
Non-Sworn	370.25
Part Time	115
TOTAL HOURS:	8310.25



Internal Affairs

To maintain the highest level of public confidence, the Elmhurst Police Department investigates all complaints thoroughly and impartially. Internal Affairs investigations also address instances of employee behavior that could discredit the Department or violate a Department policy, procedure or practice. Complaints are presented to the Office of the Chief of Police for a fair review and appropriate action and/or sanction, with consideration given to the complainant, the Department, the individual employee and the public trust.



In 2013, the Elmhurst Police Department investigated 14 formal complaints against its members.

Disposition of Complaint

Unfounded – Allegation is not factual; did not happen.

Exonerated – The act of the department or officer was consistent with the agency procedures.

Sustained – The allegation is supported by sufficient evidence.

Not sustained – There was insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the allegation.

Source of Complaint

Total 14

Citizen Complaints

Police Agency Complaints



DEPARTMENT VALUES

INTEGRITY ★ COURAGE ★ EXCELLENCE ★ DEDICATION ★ COMPASSION ★ RESPECT



2013 PROGRAMS AND SPECIAL **ASSIGNMENT SUMMARY**



Citizen's Police Academy (CPA)

The Elmhurst Police Department conducted two 14-week Citizen's Police Academy Classes in 2013. A total of 54 citizens participated in the programs. The Academy is an overwhelming success and concludes with a graduation ceremony.



The Citizen's Police Academy program is designed to provide our residents with a better understanding of police department functions as well as insight into law enforcement techniques. Classes are geared to assist citizens in understanding laws and police

practices within our City. The program is open to anyone who works or resides in the City of Elmhurst. The curriculum includes information about the canine unit, criminal and civil law, crime prevention, juvenile law, evidence, traffic stops, 911 telecommunications, use of force, investigations, gangs and drugs, scams and confidence games, etc.



DARE

The Elmhurst Police Department's Drug Abuse Resistance Education Program (DARE) began in 1987. The Elmhurst Police program challenges students to make good choices using the DARE Decision Making Model and covers topics such as alcohol and drug abuse, peer pressure, choosing good friends and self-confidence. The current program titled, "Keepin' it REAL", is based on preventing drug use by developing children's basic skills to make safe and responsible choices.

DARE

The Elmhurst Police Department has six officers who serve as our DARE instructors. They are Officers Mike Reiman, Matt McCollum, Brendan Bruckner, Josh Duffy, Nick Waldenmeyer and newly selected DARE Officer Alex Kefaloukos.

The academic school year culminates with a DARE graduation ceremony. In 2012, the Elmhurst community had approximately 900 students graduate. This is a special event that is attended by family, friends and community members. The DARE program is a valuable tool to connect with children in the community and provides them with the education necessary to keep them safe, make better decisions and help them to succeed.

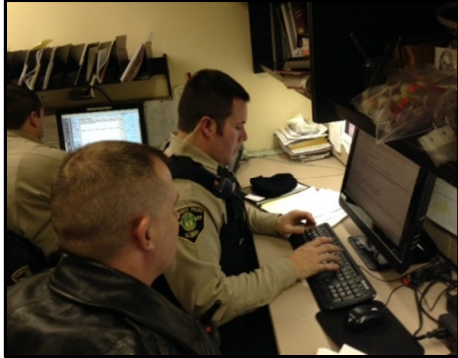


As a reward for the students' hard work and commitment, they are taken on a field trip. In 2012, the students were treated to a Chicago White Sox game. The White Sox trip was specially organized for students and included a pre-game parade on the field for the students in attendance.



Field Training Officer (FTO) Program

Over the last year, the FTO program has selected four FTOs to replace current FTOs that have moved into specialty positions within the Department. The current FTO program consists of 9 FTOs and two FTO supervisors. Each new FTO attends a 40-hour FTO school to learn the



qualities needed to be a good FTO, from teaching, coaching, mentoring and proper documentation of new officers' performance. New officers spend 22 weeks in field training with different FTOs to learn how to be a solo patrol officer with the City of Elmhurst. Within those 22 weeks of training, the new officers spend 4 weeks on midnights, 3 weeks in a shadow phase, 4 weeks of solo patrol and back with the primary FTO for final sign off to begin their career as an Elmhurst Police Officer.

2013 Highlights for the FTO Program

- Two officers who were hired and attended the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy at the College of DuPage graduated in September 2013 and are currently in field training scheduled to be on the street in solo patrol the first week of March 2014.
- Two more officers were hired and attended the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy at the College of DuPage and graduated in December 2013. They are currently in field training.
- 4 full time officers were selected as Field Training Officers.
- The use of Microsoft tablets have been a success for documenting new officer's performance.



FTOs:

Officer Steve Wright
Officer Tim Westering
Officer Alex Kefalokous
Officer Margaret Hopkins
Officer Jason Krueger
Officer Nick Waldenmeyer

Officer Brendan Bruckner
Officer Matt Himpelmann
Officer Dan Bishop

FTO Supervisors:

Commander Michael Burroughs
Commander Bob Tannehill



Elmhurst Police Honor Guard

The Honor Guard unit is responsible for representing the Elmhurst Police Department and the City of Elmhurst by leading City sponsored parades by carrying the flags of the United States and the State of Illinois. The unit also honors our countries veterans on Memorial Day and Veteran's Day by firing a three round volley for our Armed Forces past and present. The Honor Guard has also performed at police functions that require posting of colors (US and State flags) and have also marched in the Springfield, Illinois Police Memorial week parade in honor of our fallen law enforcement brothers and sisters. The Honor Guard most importantly represents the Elmhurst Police Department when one of our own officers has passed; whether it is a retired Elmhurst Police Officer or active member. This includes standing guard at the casket and carrying our fallen brother or sister to their final place of rest. The Honor Guard is an important part of our Department in that it is a group that can be depended upon in difficult times and express a sense of pride in what law enforcement represents.



Honor Guard Members:

Officer Rick Moulis
Detective Ken Lavin
Officer Tim Westering
Officer Matt Himpelmann
Officer Victor Almaguer
Officer Scott Lange

Officer Chris Horner
Officer Tim Jorgensen

Honor Guard Supervisor:

Sergeant Len Kolpak



Crisis Negotiators

Crisis negotiation is a set of communication skills designed to reduce the risks of a critical incident and increase the options available to resolve a situation peacefully. The Elmhurst Crisis Negotiation Team consists of seven members of the department, trained and dedicated to the safe and successful resolution when responding to a variety of crisis incidents.

Each member received an average of 45 hours of training in the area of crisis negotiations and response in 2013. The training included exercises with the Department's Emergency Response Team (ERT) and the Northern Illinois Police Alarm System (NIPAS). All team members are also members of the Illinois Crisis Negotiators Association (ICNA) and attended the annual training conference hosted by the ICNA, where hands-on scenario training and presentations from experts in the field from around the country are obtained.

Crisis Negotiator Members

Sergeant Jim Gandy

Detective Ken Lafin

School Resource Officer Dan Corrigan

Officer Brendan Bruckner

Officer Anthony Cuzzone

Crisis Negotiator Supervisor

Commander Dan Terry

Firearms Training

The Elmhurst Police Department currently has 3 State Certified Range Masters, with certifications held as Master Firearms Instructors.

The Range Masters conduct Department-wide monthly training, which maintain the proficient use of handguns, rifles and shotguns. This training further improves officers' firearms skills that may be required as part of their duties.

In addition to training, the Range Masters are licensed armorer's and perform scheduled maintenance on Department owned firearms which results in large cost saving measures and promotes a high degree of readiness.

Range Masters:

Officer Tom Cronin

Officer Matt Himpelmann

Officer Scott Lange

Range Supervisor:

Commander Michael Burroughs



Rifle Program

As times continue to change, active shooters incidents are on the increase with the intent to quickly cause mass casualties. With all officers having access and being trained to deploy a rifle, we are better prepared to address this kind of threat quickly and save as many lives as possible.

The Elmhurst Police Department has purchased patrol rifles with non-tax based, drug seizure funds. The rifles are Colt LE6944, 14.5" barrel, flat top upper, flip front and rear sights, and with a monolithic quad rail upper, to meet our needs as a law enforcement agency and will provide years of service.

The Elmhurst Police Officers receive monthly training in the use of this rifle and just as handgun qualifications; our officers are required to exceed the recommended qualifications for deployment of the rifle.

Emergency Response Team (ERT)

The Emergency Response Team (ERT) team is a designated unit of law enforcement officers that is specifically trained and equipped to work as a coordinated team to resolve critical incidents that are so hazardous, complex or unusual that they may exceed the capabilities of first responders or investigative units including, but not limited to, hostage taking, barricaded suspects, snipers, terrorist acts and other high-risk incidents. As a matter of department policy, such a unit may also be used to serve high-risk warrants, both search and arrest, where public and officer safety issues warrant the use of such a unit. Throughout the year, the ERT Team trained once a month with emphasis on hand gun and rifle shooting, covert entries, search warrants, hostage rescue, barricaded subjects, officer survival, rapid response and critical incident management.



2013 Highlights for the ERT Unit

- The team attended the annual Illinois Tactical Officers Association (ITOA) Conference in Oak Brook, Illinois, in November. This conference brings in emergency response teams from all over the US and Illinois. At this conference, members attend breakout sessions to learn new approaches in tactical training and network with fellow emergency response teams.
- The ERT team cross trained with the Department's negotiators responding to a barricaded subject. The two teams used the Mobile Command Unit and worked together to gain experience and learn about our capabilities if an incident ever arises.
- Participated in the ITOA rifle FTX at Marseilles National Guard Base, involving the use of rifles in different course of fire and being scored on marksmanship.
- The team performed the yearly physical fitness and handgun qualification where each member passed the required fitness level and handgun proficiency test for the team.
- The Team assisted the COPP unit on several search warrants in town where information was learned of drug dealing. The team performed the entry and secured the residence for the COPP unit. The entry was performed with no problems and all involved were safe.

ERT Members

Officer John Pacewic

Officer Tony Poli

Officer Marcin Scislowicz

Officer Matt Himpelmann

Detective Dave Rivkin

Officer Jason Krueger

Officer Dan Torza

Officer Josh Champion

Officer Alex Kefaloukos

Officer Scott Lange

ERT Supervisor

Commander Bob Tannehill



K9 Unit

This has been a productive year for the Elmhurst Police Department's K9 Unit. During 2013, the K9 Unit produced the following:

- 114 total K9 deployments
- 80 Narcotic Searches Conducted



Total Amount of Narcotics Located:

- 11,746 grams of Cannabis (25.9 lbs.)
- 100,026 grams of Cocaine (220.5 lbs.)
- 5 grams of Heroin
- 3 grams of Hashish
- 50 grams of Methadone
- 241 pills, to include, Oxycotton, MDMA, Xanax, Hydrocodone and LSD
- \$19,860 of United States Currency recovered and seized which includes USC seized by outside agencies.
- 29 cases/deployments where numerous items of drug paraphernalia were recovered.

Searches and Assists:

- 38 Canine assists conducted for outside agencies.
- 8 School narcotic searches conducted.
- 7 Community presentations.
- 20 Canine tracking deployments.
 - 4 Offenders located.
 - Evidence located from a shooting in Addison (gun and ammo).
 - Evidence located from a shooting in Woodridge (gun).
 - Evidence located from a robbery.
 - Track for two missing suicidal persons and a missing dementia patient. Suicidal victim located.
 - Assist to ILEAS in disbursing an unruly crowd of 400 demonstrators.



MUTUAL AID ASSIGNMENTS

The Elmhurst Police Department participates in the following mutual aid groups.

DuPage Major Crime Task Force (MCTF)

The DuPage Major Crime Task Force (MCTF) was first formed in late 1998 to promote County safety and enhance the ability of all law enforcement agencies in DuPage County to solve major crime through resource sharing, partnership and joint cooperation, consistent training, and application of investigative and enforcement methodology. The purpose of the MCTF is to provide member agencies with highly competent and comprehensive investigative, crime scene, evidence collection, analysis, and technical assistance to incidents of major crimes.



Today, MCTF consists of 20 law enforcement agencies from federal, state, and local police agencies, and the DuPage County States Attorneys' Office. MCTF allows all of the member agencies to share equipment, personnel, and resources as needed for major investigations or significant events. The Elmhurst Police Department has members assigned to leadership roles in every aspect of the task force, including support, investigations, and forensics.

Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System (ILEAS)

The Elmhurst Police Department is a member of the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System (ILEAS). This group is based in Urbana, Illinois, and is the largest mutual aid organization in the United States. ILEAS is responsible for coordinating statewide mutual aid responses as needed. Fortunately, during 2012, the Elmhurst Police did not request ILEAS assistance for any incident or receive any mutual aid requests.



THE ILEAS MISSION

We strive to meet the needs of law enforcement throughout the State of Illinois in matters of mutual aid, emergency response and the combining of resources for public safety.

"STRENGTH THROUGH COOPERATION"

Northern Illinois Police Alarm System (NIPAS)



The Northern Illinois Police Alarm System (NIPAS) consists of over 90 communities and offers two programs – a special tactical squad known as the Emergency Services Team and, a crowd control team known as the Mobile Field Force. Officer Marcin Scislowicz serves on the NIPAS SWAT team and Officers Victor Almaguer and Art Ciszewski serve on the NIPAS Mobile Field Force.



COMMUNITY RELATIONS EVENTS

Prescription Drug Take Back Program

Unused or expired prescription medications are a public safety issue, leading to accidental poisoning, overdose and abuse. The non-medical use of prescription drugs is one of the most common forms of drug abuse in America. The majority of teenagers abusing prescription drugs get them from the home medicine cabinets of family and friends. Unused drugs that are flushed into toilets or thrown into the garbage are also environmental hazards, as they contaminate the water supply.

The Elmhurst Police Department is partnering with the Drug Enforcement Administration for the Prescription Drug Take Back Day.



Chore Day

On Saturday, May 11, 2013, members of the Elmhurst Police Benevolent Athletic Association participated in the annual Senior and Disabled Persons Clean-Up Day. Department members who attended were Commanders Burroughs, Nicholas, Sergeant McLean, Officers Berry, Bishop, Waldenmeyer and Detective Lafin. They cut lawns, performed spring clean-up and other chores that senior or disabled Elmhurst residents were unable to do for themselves.



Cop on Top

On Friday, May 31, 2013, members of the Elmhurst Police Department partnered with Dunkin' Donuts and participated in the Illinois Special Olympics Cop on Top. Illinois Special Olympics provides year-round sports training and competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities by giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy, and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community. In 2013, Elmhurst Police raised \$2,594.92 to support this great initiative.



Illinois Torch Run

On Sunday, June 09, 2013, members of the Elmhurst Police Department participated in the Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run. The Torch Run is an intrastate relay with the goal of raising money and awareness for the athletes who participate in Special Olympics. The runners from Elmhurst Police ran a course of approximately one mile, from the area of York Road and St. Charles Road to the Elmhurst City Hall. The officers who ran were Brendan Bruckner, Matt McCollum, Rick Moulis and Trisha Vascik.



Turkey Trot

On Thanksgiving Day, with 8685 registered runners, countless unregistered ones and thirsty pets running with them, the Elmhurst Police Benevolent Athletic Association's (EPBAA) watering hole group was kept busy handing out water along Palmer Drive at the police station to all in the 28 degree weather.



Climb the Tower Team takes first place among the Police Dept. teams!



Left to right: Brendan Bruckner, Jim Kveton, Cait Beltran, Jake Beltran, Matt McCollum, Mike Hamblin, Jim Grabowski, Jill Hamblin and Dave Rivkin.



Special Kids Day

Members of the Elmhurst Police Department, in conjunction with the Elmhurst Children's Assistance Foundation, participated at the Special Kids Day event held at Wilder Mansion in Elmhurst on Wednesday, December 4, 2013.



2013 STATISTICAL SUMMARY

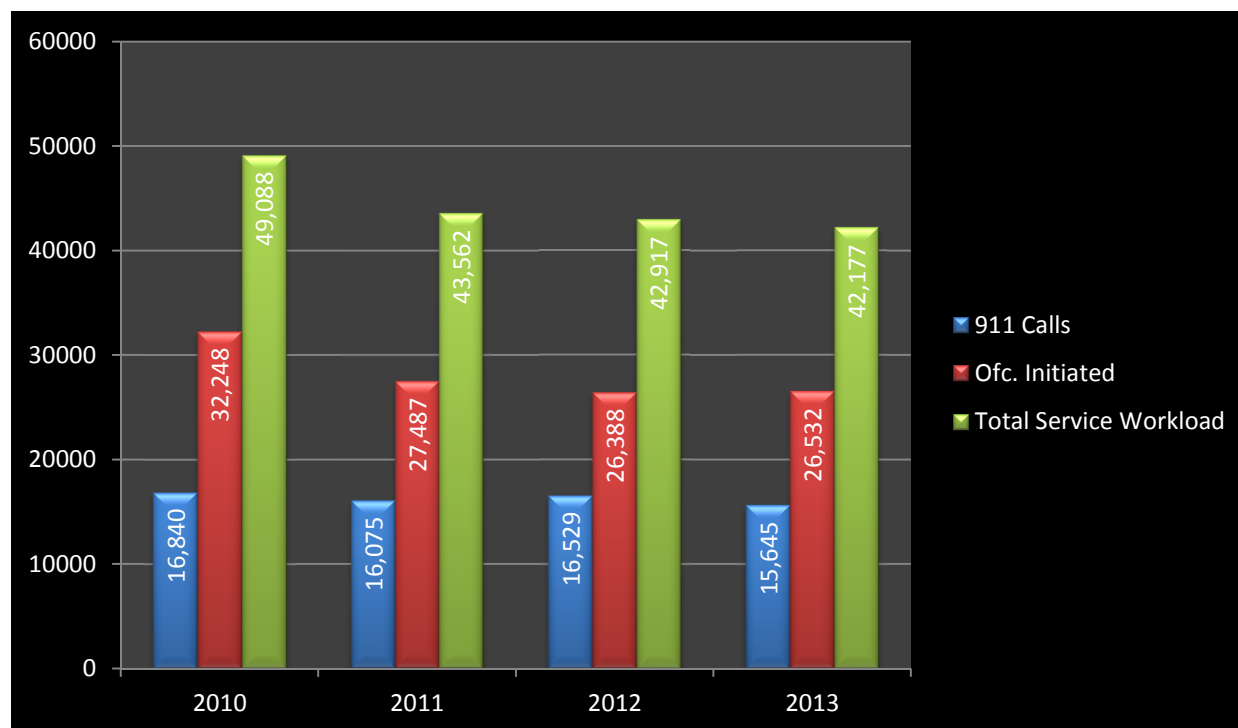


CRIMINAL INCIDENTS

Summary Highlights

Criminal Incidents	2010	2011	2012	2013
Homicide	0	0	0	0
Rape	4	2	4	2
Robbery	8	5	12	4
Aggravated Assault/Battery	9	13	11	6
Burglary	167	206	123	57
Theft	431	427	343	474
Theft of Motor Vehicle	26	25	26	22
Arson	1	3	2	1

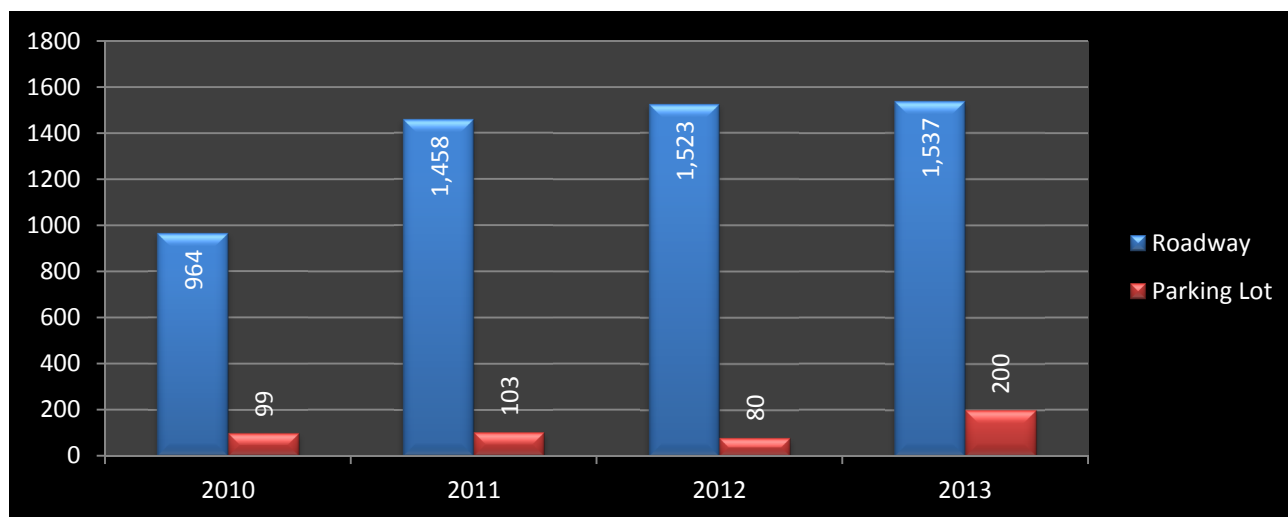
Service Workload



In 2013, the total service workload decreased by 1.72% compared to 2012. 911 calls decreased by 5.35% and officer initiated calls increased by .55% compared to 2012.

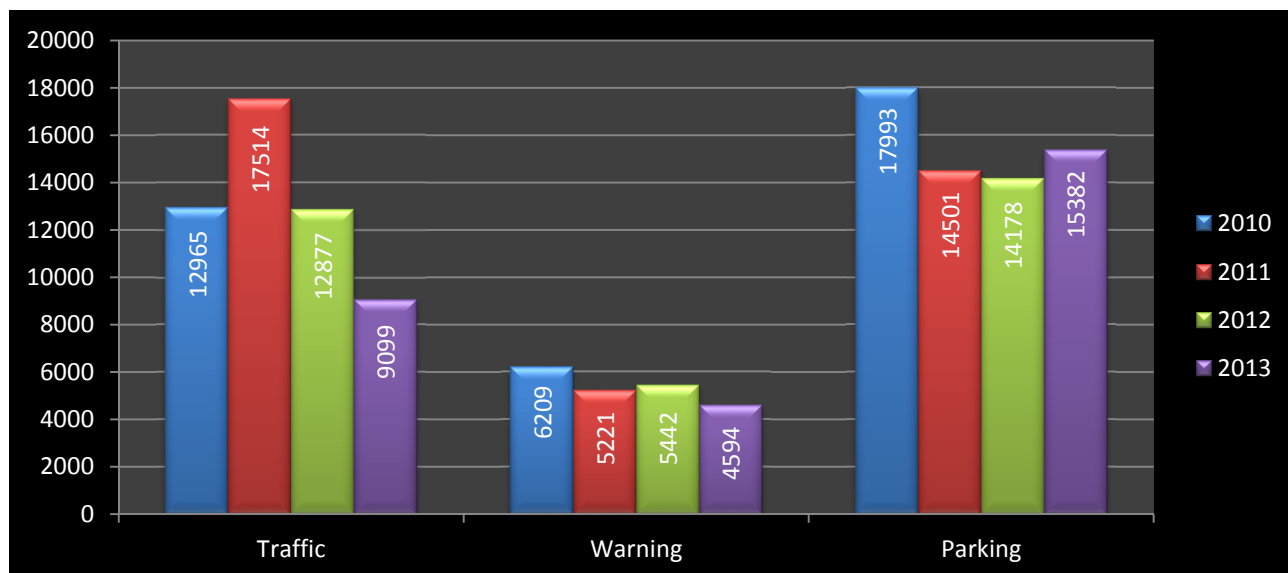


Motor Vehicle Crashes



In 2013, the total number of motor vehicle crashes has increased 8.36% compared to 2012. There was an increase of 14 reported crashes occurring in the roadway and an increase of 120 reported crashes in a parking lot compared to 2012.

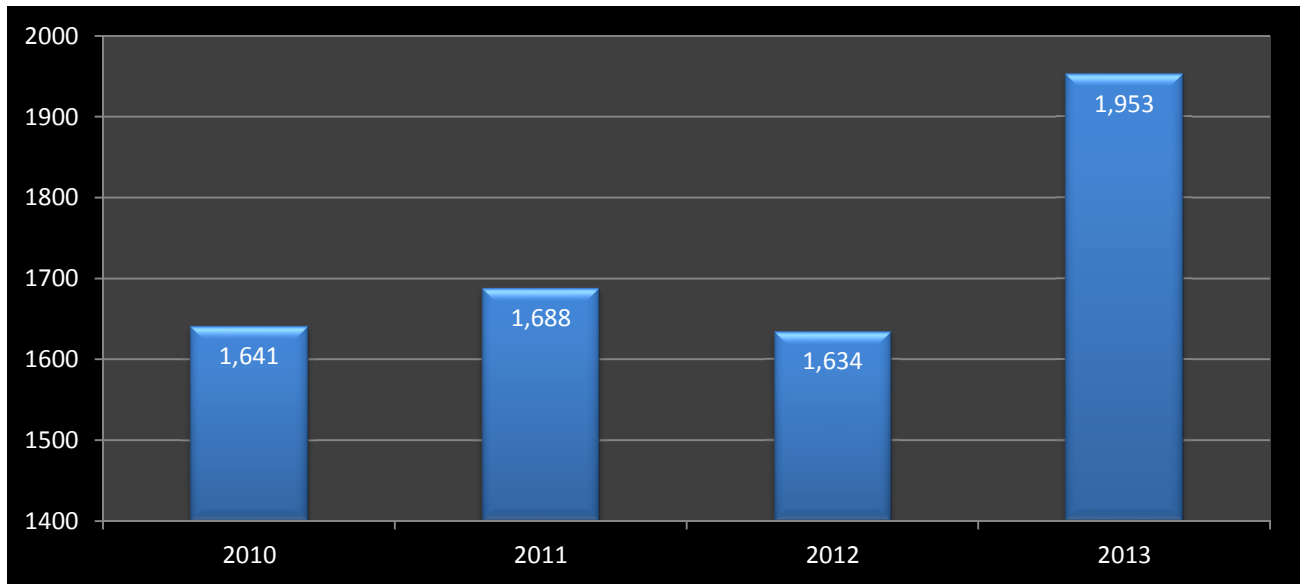
Citations



In 2013, the number of traffic citations issued has decreased 29.34% compared to 2012. In 2013, the number of warning tickets issued has decreased 15.58% compared to 2012. In 2013, the number of parking tickets issued has increased 8.49% compared to 2012.

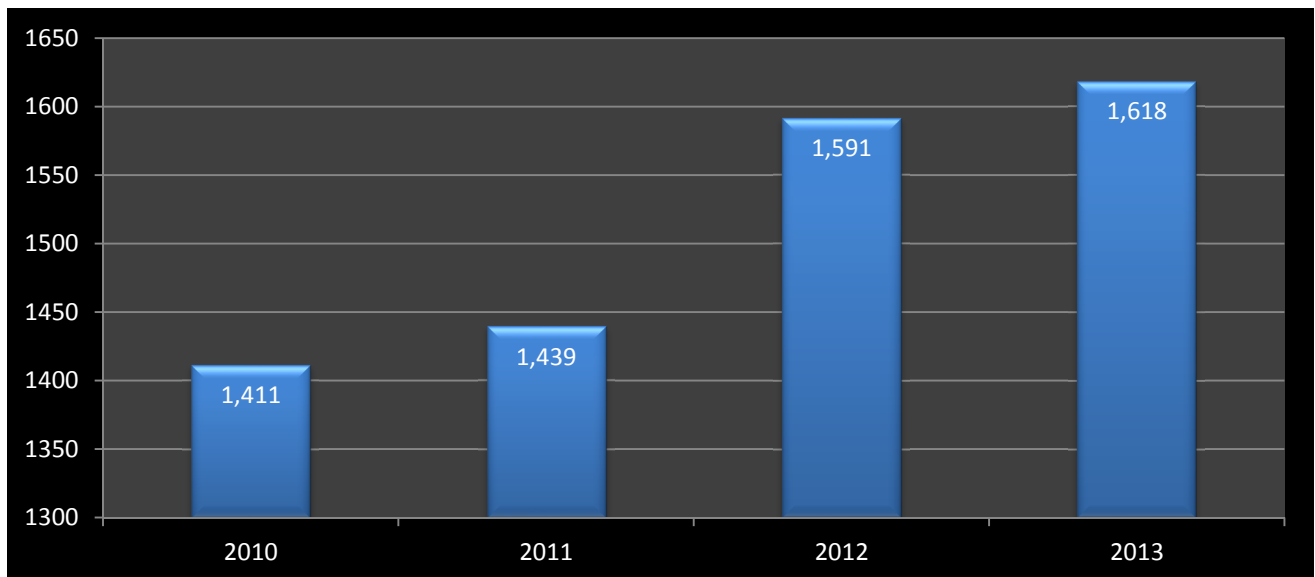


Assist Other Agencies



In 2013, there was an increase of 319 (19.52%) calls to assist compared to 2012.

Alarm Calls



In 2013, there was an increase of 27 (1.70%) alarm calls compared to 2012.



4 Year Comparison Summary

	<u>2010</u> <u>Offense</u> <u>Totals</u>	<u>2011</u> <u>Offense</u> <u>Totals</u>	<u>2012</u> <u>Offense</u> <u>Totals</u>	<u>2013</u> <u>Offense</u> <u>Totals</u>		<u>2010</u> <u>Arrest</u> <u>Totals</u>	<u>2011</u> <u>Arrest</u> <u>Totals</u>	<u>2012</u> <u>Arrest</u> <u>Totals</u>	<u>2013</u> <u>Arrest</u> <u>Totals</u>
<u>Deaths</u>									
Homicide	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0
Attempt Homicide	2	1	0	0		1	1	0	0
Totals	2	1	0	0		1	1	0	0
<u>Sex Offenses</u>									
Predatory Criminal Sexual Assault	1	0	1	0		1	0	0	0
Criminal Sexual Assault	3	1	2	2		2	0	1	0
Aggravated Criminal Sexual Assault	1	1	2	0		1	0	1	0
Attempted Sexual Assault	0	0	1	0		0	0	1	0
Prostitution	5	6	1	2		6	8	0	3
Public Indecency	6	3	2	1		1	1	0	2
All Other Sex Offenses	0	0	2	1		0	0	0	0
Totals	16	11	11	6		11	9	3	5
<u>Robbery</u>									
Armed Robbery - Bank	2	0	4	0		1	0	1	0
Armed Robbery - Other	2	2	4	2		0	2	2	0
Robbery - Bank	1	0	1	1		1	0	1	0
Robbery - Other	3	3	3	0		0	0	1	0
Attempted Robbery	1	1	3	1		0	0	0	0
Total	9	6	15	4		2	2	5	0
<u>Simple Assault - Battery</u>									
Assault	3	5	4	4		4	4	4	4
Battery	68	59	69	65		46	40	37	42
Domestic	57	52	43	81		51	46	34	49
Total	128	116	116	150		101	90	75	95



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<u>Aggravated Assault - Battery</u>									
Aggravated Battery	4	5	6	1		7	9	3	2
Aggravated Assault	5	8	5	5		4	11	3	5
Total	9	13	11	6		11	20	6	7
<u>Burglary</u>									
Burglary Residential	53	66	54	22		2	6	6	3
Burglary Other	114	140	69	24		1	4	0	5
Attempted Burglary	8	4	22	11		0	0	0	0
Total	175	210	145	57		3	10	6	8
<u>Burglary/Theft from Motor Vehicle</u>									
Burglary/Theft from Motor Vehicle	87	97	97	97		5	3	10	15
Burglary/Theft of Motor Veh Parts/Accessories	53	24	28	16		5	1	0	0
Attempted Burglary/Theft from MV	16	8	9	10		0	0	0	0
Total	156	129	134	123		10	4	10	15
<u>Thefts</u>									
Theft Over	88	126	100	89		21	21	13	14
Theft Under	187	200	130	122		63	51	20	45
Retail Theft	157	108	124	139		160	100	123	137
Attempted Theft	11	15	5	14		0	0	0	0
Total	443	449	359	364		244	172	156	196
<u>Motor Vehicle Theft</u>									
Theft of Motor Vehicle	26	25	26	20		2	5	1	4
Attempted Theft of Motor Vehicle	3	1	1	2		0	0	0	0
Total	29	26	27	22		2	5	1	4



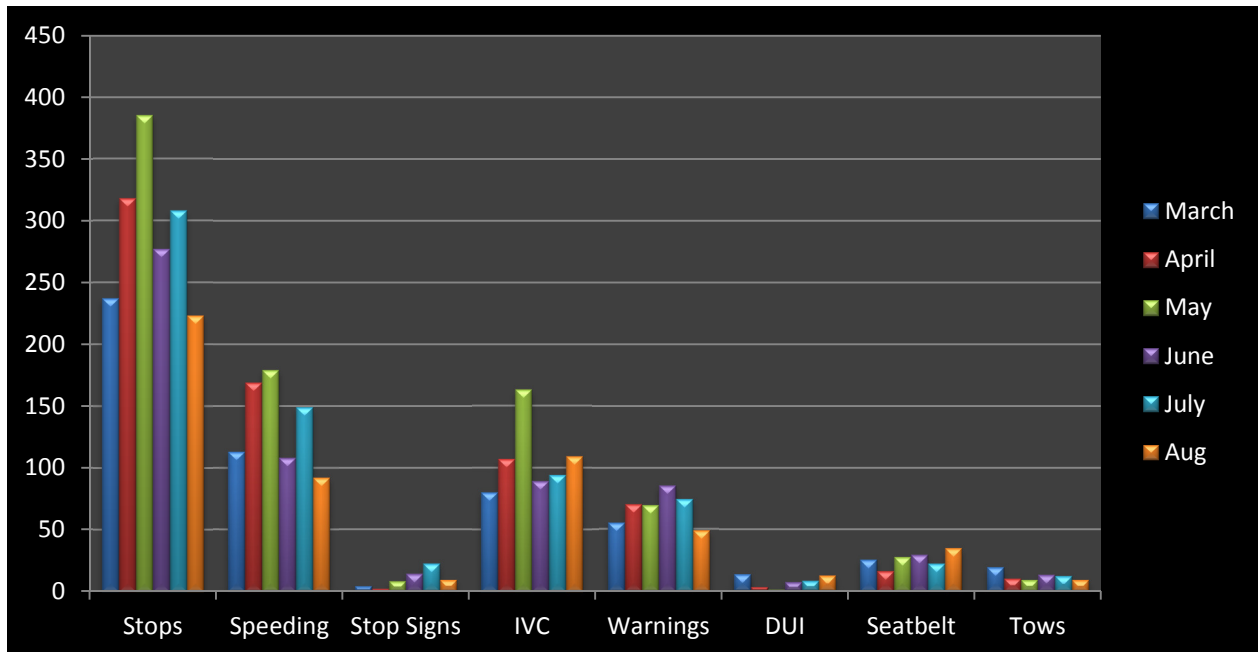
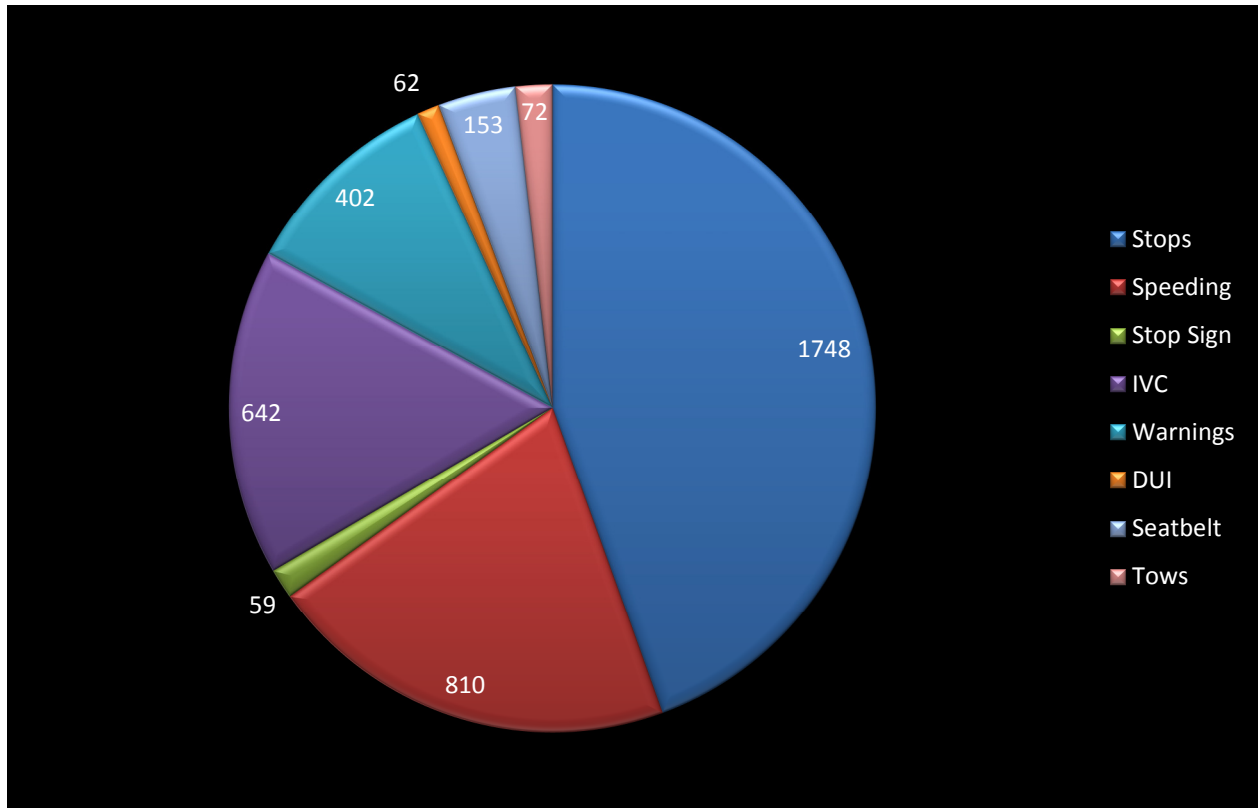
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<u>Deception</u>									
Forgery/Deceptive Practice/Fraud	52	46	24	54		12	17	4	22
Credit Card Fraud	30	54	45	36		13	13	2	10
Identity Theft	54	55	46	39		1	2	1	4
Possession of Stolen Property	8	8	4	8		15	1	6	8
Theft of Lost Property	2	27	19	19		0	2	8	2
Total	146	190	138	156		41	35	21	46
<u>Criminal Damage To Property</u>									
Vehicle	65	84	58	47		5	8	1	2
Property Damage	78	113	75	74		28	22	16	16
Attempted Criminal Damage	3	5	0	0		0	0	0	0
Total	146	202	133	121		33	30	17	18
<u>Trespass</u>									
Criminal Trespass to Property/Residence	29	18	25	20		16	12	15	12
Criminal Trespass to State Supported Land	1	0	3	1		0	1	2	1
Total	30	18	28	21		16	13	17	13
<u>Arson</u>	1	3	2	1		0	0	0	0
<u>Deadly Weapons</u>									
Unlawful Use of Weapon	8	18	8	8		11	15	9	11
Unlawful Use or Possession of Weapon by Felon	0	1	2	0		0	1	2	0
No FOID Card	4	4	5	0		6	4	7	0
Total	12	23	15	8		17	20	18	11
<u>Truancy</u>	15	13	17	14		14	24	13	18



	<u>2010 Offense Totals</u>	<u>2011 Offense Totals</u>	<u>2012 Offense Totals</u>	<u>2013 Offense Totals</u>		<u>2010 Arrest Totals</u>	<u>2011 Arrest Totals</u>	<u>2012 Arrest Totals</u>	<u>2013 Arrest Totals</u>
<u>Hate Crimes</u>	0	1	0	0		0	1	0	0
<u>Drug Offenses</u>									
Possession Cannabis 30 gm & under	148	178	155	180		228	296	237	266
Possession Cannabis over 30 gm	2	1	0	2		4	2	0	2
Delivery Cannabis 30 gm & under	8	16	5	11		11	30	7	17
Delivery Cannabis over 30 gm	6	7	6	5		12	9	6	9
Cannabis Plant	0	1	1	1		0	5	1	0
Possession of Methamphetamine	0	0	1	0		0	0	1	0
Manufacture & Delivery Cont'l Substance	16	13	6	12		20	12	6	16
Possession Controlled Substance	68	66	75	62		82	88	113	85
Delivery or Possession w/Intent to Deliver	1	2	12	16		1	3	16	19
Sale or Possession Hypo Syringes/Needles	8	7	11	5		10	9	14	8
Possession Drug Equipment	157	160	170	161		238	282	246	239
Total	414	451	442	455		606	736	647	661



TRAFFIC UNIT DATA - NON GRANT



Traffic Unit Responsibilities

Residential Streets	School Zones	DUI Enforcement	Truck Enforcement	Nighttime Seatbelt Enforcement
Public Education	Speeding Enforcement on Major/Primary Streets	Deployment of SMART Trailers and speed signs	Coordination with PW/Engineering	Problem solving with residents

The Elmhurst Police Department traffic unit continued to function in an effective and efficient manner during the first months of 2013. As observed in the previous charts, a wide variety of violations were enforced during the year. As a by-product of this traffic enforcement, numerous arrests were made for drivers who drove without licenses, drivers who were wanted on warrants and drivers in possession of drugs. The third chart illustrates the numerous responsibilities the traffic unit performs.

In 2013, the unit's focus was primarily speeding violations on major roadways throughout Elmhurst. These roadways included North Ave., York Rd., Route 83, and St. Charles Rd. In addition, the intersections of North Ave./Route 83 and St. Charles/Route 83 were addressed by enforcing lane usage and traffic signal violations. These roadways often have the highest occurrences of traffic crashes. In addition to enforcing areas with the highest volume of traffic, the unit also focused on secondary roadways such as Spring Rd. and West Ave. Both speeding and stop sign violations were enforced in these areas. Officers also patrolled school zones during arrival and dismissal times, enforcing various violations there. Officers and supervisors often dealt with individual traffic concerns and coordinated with Patrol and Engineering to rectify potential problems or concerns. This type of combination of enforcement, education and coordination with the Engineering Department has proven to be the most beneficial manner in which to address these numerous concerns in residential and school areas. Officers were proactively assigned to areas to address potential traffic issues prior to becoming problematic in school zones, construction areas and other high profile areas throughout the City. One example of this is when construction on North Ave. during the late summer caused several traffic issues in the residential areas surrounding North Ave. A combination of traffic unit officers and beat patrol officers proved effective in enforcing traffic control devices and other violations.

Recognizing that seatbelt usage is one of the most effective ways in which motorists can remain safe in a crash, an extra emphasis on seatbelt usage continued to take place in 2013.

In 2013, the traffic unit once again was awarded and took part in an Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) grant which focused on DUI and overnight seatbelt enforcement. This grant consisted of over \$42,000 of funding for this extra enforcement. Numerous DUI "saturation patrols", seatbelt enforcement zones, as well as DUI roadside safety



checkpoints were conducted in 2013 in an effort to make the roads safer in Elmhurst and to educate the public on the dangers of impaired driving. This additional enforcement took place exclusively during the overnight hours, which has been identified by both the Illinois Department of Transportation, as well as the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, as the most dangerous and deadly times on roadways. Numerous DUI offenders and other offenders were arrested as part of this grant.

2013 HOLIDAY GRANT HOLIDAY PERIODS

EACH HOLIDAY PERIOD CONSISTED OF A TWO WEEK BLOCK

THANKSGIVING	"CINCO DE MAYO"	MEMORIAL DAY	LABOR DAY
CHRISTMAS	ST. PATRICK'S DAY	4 TH OF JULY	

Other Highlights from 2013 include:

- Several high visibility speed enforcement campaigns along Route 83.
- Train enforcement, including enforcement of both pedestrian and vehicle violations on/near railroad crossings.
- Truck enforcement, including details prohibiting truck traffic on St. Charles Rd.
- Educational presentations.
- An increase of enforcement of cell phone usage in school and construction zones.
- Officers continued to make enforcement of anti-texting laws a priority.
- A roadside safety checkpoint was conducted on August 23, 2013.
- Continued support of the administrative tow policy, with nearly 100 vehicles towed from officers on the traffic unit (combination of daytime/afternoon enforcement along with DUI/overnight grant).
- Several officers received additional training in DUI enforcement.
- The Elmhurst Police Department was recognized as being 4th in the State of Illinois for DUI arrests per sworn officer, with 324 total DUI arrests the previous year.
- Elmhurst was once again awarded an IDOT grant for 2013 in the amount of \$42,000 in funding.

Goals

- Apply for and receive an IDOT grant for 2015.
- Additional specialized DUI training for officers, including "drugged" driver detection.
- Enhanced truck enforcement.
- Increased speed enforcement on major roadways, while still continuing residential/school areas.
- Continue extra enforcement/details enforcing "Scott's Law" violations.
- Purchase of an additional "Speed Sentry" or speed trailer.

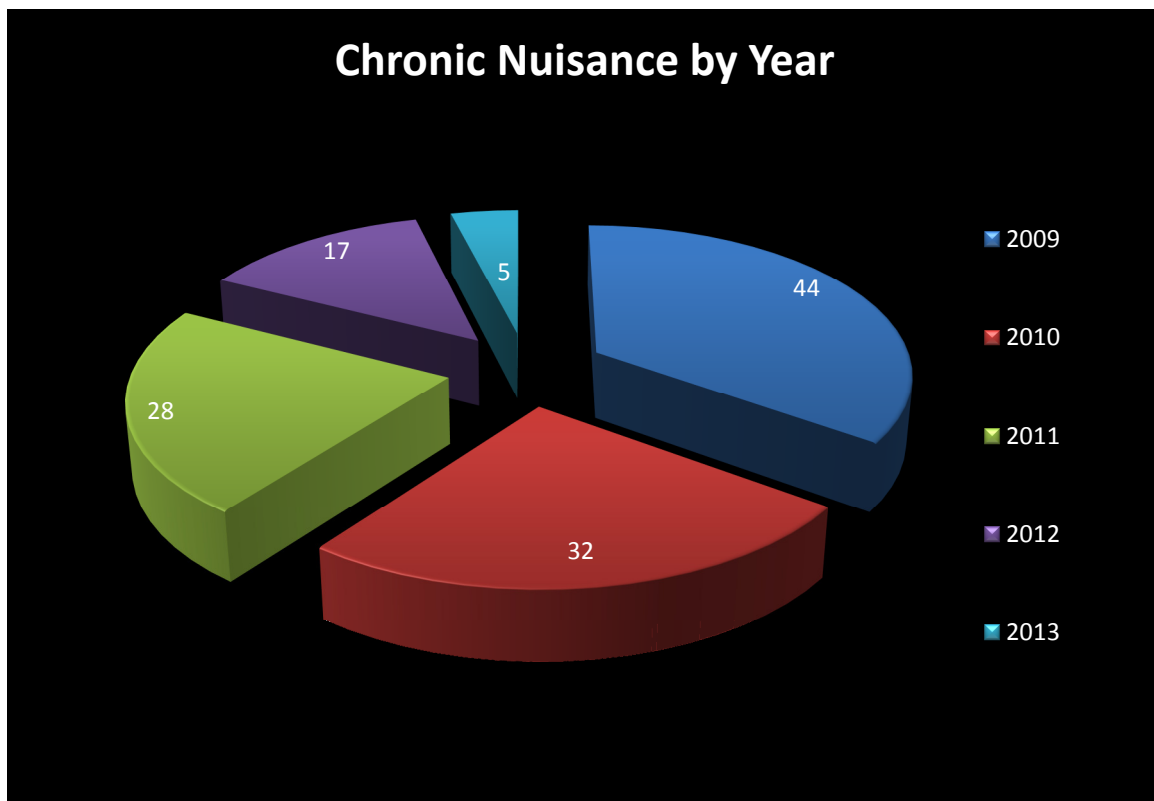


Chronic Nuisance Program

Chronic Nuisance Ordinance - 183 cases have been successfully resolved since 2008. Only 14 chronic nuisance cases re-offended with a second violation in 180 days and only 1 went to a third violation. This program continues to be very successful in improving quality of life issues for residents and businesses. The chart below shows the success of the program – there has been a decrease in Chronic Nuisance cases every year since its inception, with 2013 having the lowest incidents in a year.

The Police Department continues to work with the Building Department to enforce quality of life concerns such as:

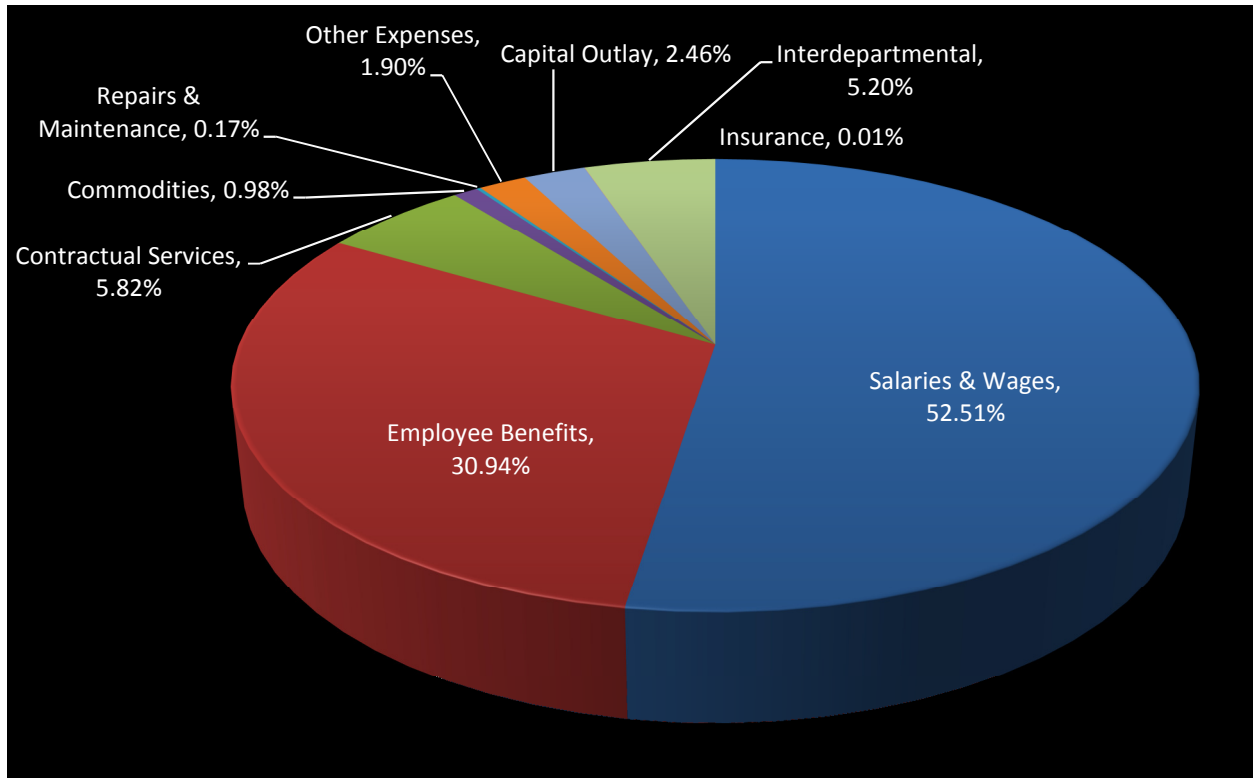
- After hours construction.
- Excessive mud/debris left on street due to construction traffic.
- Construction vehicle parking.



2013 BUDGET ANALYSIS



Elmhurst Police Department 2013 Est. Budget (8 Months)



EXPENDITURE	AMOUNT
Salaries & Wages	\$5,365,647
Employee Benefits	\$3,162,248
Contractual Services	\$594,924
Commodities	\$100,078
Repairs & Maintenance	\$17,186
Other Expenses	\$194,570
Capital Outlay	\$251,520
Insurance	\$1,300
Interdepartmental	\$531,825
TOTAL:	\$10,219,298



2013
DEPARTMENT
RECOGNITION



New Employees



Officer
Eric Hedstrom
01/02/2013



Officer
Dave Gryczewski
07/03/2013



Officer
Daniel Djukic
07/03/2013



Officers
Colleen Cooney and
Brandt Cappetelli
09/26/2013



Service Anniversaries

5 Years



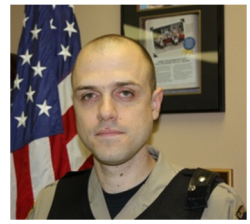
Service Officer
Juli Dickinson



Service Officer
Justin Gonzalez



Officer
Alex Kefaloukos



Officer
Christopher Horner

10 Years



Officer
Victor Almaguer



Service Officer
Kristi Blasky



Officer
Jeff Knebel



Detective
Steven Mandat



Officer
Nick Waldenmeyer

15 Years

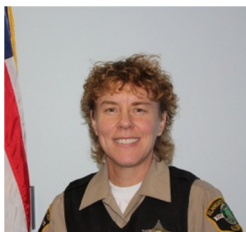


Officer
James O'Connor



Officer
Timothy Westering

20 Years



Officer
Margaret Hopkins



Detective
David Rivkin

25 Years



Officer
Stephen Wright



Promotions

On Monday, March 04, 2013, Deputy Chief Jim Kveton and Commander Bob Tannehill were sworn in by Acting Mayor Scott Levin. They had been serving in these positions since 2011 in an interim assignment.



Deputy Chief
James Kveton



Commander
Robert Tannehill



Letters of Commendation

Two Department employees received a Letter of Commendation from Chief Michael Ruth. The employees are:

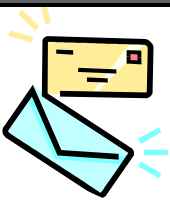


Officer Timothy Westering – EL13025939 – Attempted Suicide

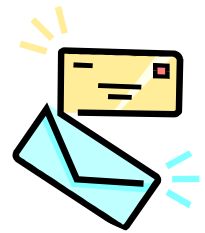


Officer Stephen Wright – EL13025939 – Attempted Suicide





LETTERS FROM THE COMMUNITY



These are excerpts from a few of the letters we received in 2013.

Officer Berry: “I can’t thank you enough for being there for me when help was need. *Special thanks to Officer Berry who sat by my side all night.”

Officer Duffy: “I recently had a tire blow out on St. Charles Rd. ...an Elmhurst Policeman arrived. He was extremely nice and helpful. I was very upset at the time. This proves there are good people in this world.

Officer Hopkins: “Thank you for your courtesy and professionalism. You are an excellent representative for the Elmhurst Police Department. I appreciate the time you spent taking the police report and following up on my missing ring.”

Officer Jarrette: “...was the officer in charge in a delicate situation...yesterday in which I was involved. I want to express my admiration for his professionalism and compassion in handling the situation in the best possible was given the circumstances.”

Officer Jorgensen: “Just wanted to thank you for helping me out of a rough situation a couple of weeks ago. Thank you very much. I appreciate all that you did.”

Officer Jorgensen: “...he was very happy with the professionalism of Ofc. Jorgensen and that he was very impressed how competent he acted while handling the situation. He was also impressed with Ofc. Jorgensen’s appearance and that he represented the Elmhurst Police Department in an excellent way.”

Sergeant Kolpak and Officer Hedstrom: “Just a quick note to recognize the excellent response your department rendered... My good neighbor observed a car and stranger parked in front of her house. She was concerned enough to alert your department as a caution. Within minutes your officers were at my door before their entry checking out the status. Please pass on a thank you to the officers for their quick service.”

Officer McCollum – “Officer McCollum gave a program to our chapter of our women’s organization. We found Officer McCollum to be very personable and extremely professional. In our view, he is a great asset to the Elmhurst Police Department.”



Sergeant McLean, Weatherford and Officer Wright – “I wanted to send a quick note to say thank you for arranging a ride-along for me this past Saturday. Officer Wright and Sgt. Weatherford were extremely accommodating. Seeing the department more closely has definitely reinforced my decision to apply!”

Officer Poli and K-9 Diesel – Thanks so much for your wonderful presentations here at the library. The kids loved meeting Diesel and learning about how you work together. It was a great program – thanks so much!”

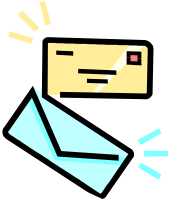
Officer Reiman – “I would like to write a letter of acknowledgement about a special officer in the Elmhurst Police Department. Officer Reiman came to my house...to rescue an owl that was caught in my son’s soccer net. My son was familiar with Officer Reiman from DARE and speaks very highly of him... Please forward me sincere appreciation to Officer Reiman for his service to me and my family.”

Officers Schweik and Hedstrom – “Want to express my gratitude to the two police officers for helping me when my car stalled at York and Vallette. They were very kind and calmed me down and helped get a tow. I’m extremely grateful.”

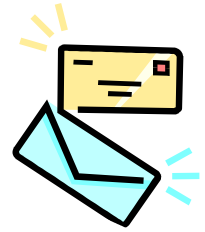
Officers Scislowicz and Wright – “...I had an ex-boyfriend contacting me, harassing me and generally complicating my life. ...I will never forget the support I received from Officer Scislowicz and especially Officer Wright. I’m fully aware that the police have better things to do with their time, but they helped me feel more secure in my home than I ever would have been able to do on my own. The Elmhurst Police came through for me and deserve recognition for going above and beyond. Thank you!”

Officer Scislowicz – “I am writing this letter to let you know how great one of your officers is for his kindness, professionalism and care that took place... I was hit by a drunk driver... Officer Scislowicz was so kind, helpful and most importantly caring, he sets a great example that many others can learn from. I want you to know that you are very lucky to have him as one of your own, and more so the City of Elmhurst is lucky to have such a great officer in our town. He is a great person with a huge heart.”





LETTERS FROM OTHER AGENCIES



These are excerpts from other Agencies' letters we received in 2013.

Midnight Shift: "...responded to a robbery that just occurred...two male subjects entered the business, pushed the victim down, took cash and fled the scene. The vehicle was located in the area of Butterfield and IL 83 with the assistance of your department. Try as they might, the suspects were unable to defeat the tenacious pursuit of the Elmhurst officers."

Chief Robert Pavelchik – Villa Park Police Department

Commander Terry and Officer Bruckner – "...the Elmhurst Police Department sponsored the FBI Basic Crisis Negotiation Course. On behalf of the FBI, I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to you and your department for allowing us to hold this course at your building. Your department's hospitality and professionalism that was extended throughout the week did not go unnoticed. In particular, I would like to thank Commander Dan Terry, as well as attendee Officer Brendan Bruckner, for assisting the CNT in the coordination and operation of this course.

Special Agent in Charge Cory B. Nelson – FBI Chicago

Sergeant Campise – "The Bartlett Police Department responded to a home invasion..., in which the victim sustained significant injury. ...Sergeant Mike Campise of your department performed a polygraph examination on our victim. Our Detective Sergeant...commented on how professional and thorough Sergeant Campise conducted himself during this 4 hour process. His skill and expertise proved to be essential in the discovery of additional information previously unknown to our detectives. He is an asset to our law enforcement community and an excellent representative of the Elmhurst Police Department.

Chief Kent Williams – Bartlett Police Department

Officers Krueger and Poli – "...our department requested assistance in the investigation of a shooting..." I would like to extend my thanks to your department for providing us with the support of your officers, as well as my personal thanks to them for their invaluable assistance."

Chief Gina Grady – Woodridge Police Department



Officer Poli – “I would like to thank you for the recent professional assistance provided to our department by your personnel. ...received a call of a suicidal subject having left his home with a shotgun. ...ground units were able to locate and take the suicidal subject into custody... I would like to thank your agency and particularly Officer Poli and K-9 Diesel for the quick response and professional conduct in assisting...to bring this extremely dangerous situation to a successful conclusion.”

Chief Michael Marron – Glendale Heights Police Department

Officer Scislowicz – “Please accept this...as recognition to NIPAS (Northern IL Police Alarm System) team member Officer Marcin Scislowicz for assistance regarding a barricaded subject incident... Police responded to a report of a disturbance involving a knife attack. Swift action was taken by NIPAS to secure the perimeter, enter the building and make contact with the offender. These actions ultimately lead to the peaceful surrender of the offender.”

Chief John Jones – McHenry Police Department

Officer Scislowicz – “Members of my department conducted an investigation that led to the issuance of a search warrant. During the course of this investigation it was discovered that the offenders may have access to an AK 47 assault rifle. Marcin Scislowicz responded from your department to assist us and I want to commend him for his dedication to the law enforcement community and his efforts on our behalf.”

Chief Gary Bitler – Round Lake Beach Police Department

Officer Waldenmeyer – “I am writing to commend Officer Nick Waldenmeyer for his professionalism and the special kindness shown during a DUI traffic stop. As I observed the DUI traffic stop in court today, I was very impressed with the totality of his performance. This video was a wonderful example of how an officer should conduct a DUI roadside stop. He did an exceptional job and I felt it was important to let you know our appreciation for a job well done.”

Cathy Stanley, Director – Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists (AAIM)

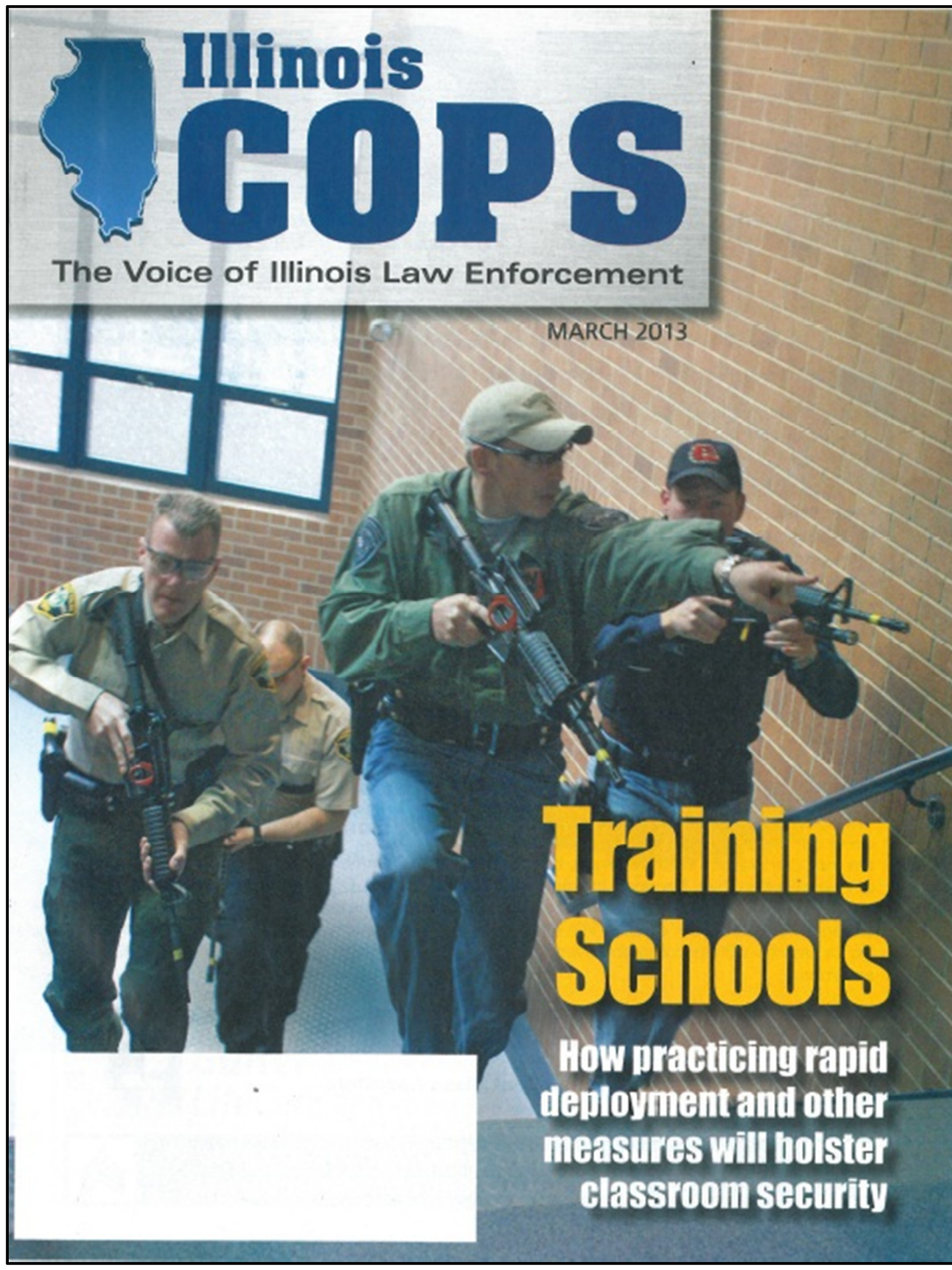
Officer Westering – “I am writing this letter to you as a gesture of appreciation for the assistance provided by Officer Timothy Westering. A semi-tractor and trailer loaded with consumer goods was stolen... The vehicle was located...in your jurisdiction. Due to staffing issues we were unable to send an evidence technician to process the tractor-trailer. Officer Westering was given the task. I wanted to take the time to thank your agency for the assistance and to personally thank Officer Westering for his assistance and professionalism. It was greatly valued by our agency.”

Commander Michael Zeigler – Streamwood Police Department Special Ops Unit



2013 PHOTO GALLERY

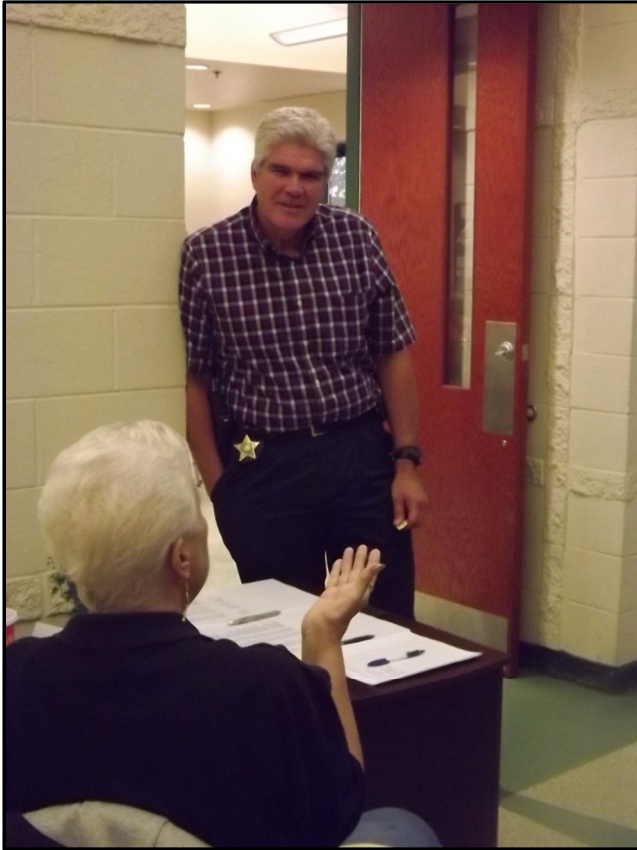




Far Left – Officers Tom Cronin and Matt Himpelmann of the Elmhurst Police Department



The 100th Meeting of the Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association - September 12, 2013



Detective Commander Robert Nicholas



*Left to Right - Former Chief Steve Neubauer
and Chief Michael Ruth*



Chief Michael Ruth



INFORMATIONAL PICKETING

The Knanaya Catholic Congress of North America held an informational picketing demonstration on St. Charles Road between Fair Avenue and Arlington Avenue, on Sunday, March 3, 2013. The purpose of the demonstration was to bring attention to a proposed policy change within their religious community. Several Law Enforcement agencies from the area assisted during the event.



ELMHURST POLICE CHIEF LUNCHEON

On March 08, 2013, an Elmhurst Chief's Luncheon was held at Lexington Square. In attendance at the luncheon were Elmhurst Police Chiefs Michael Ruth, Steven Neubauer, John Millner, Bert Munson and William Payne.



*Left to Right standing – Chiefs Steve Neubauer, John Millner, Bert Munson and Michael Ruth
Seated is Chief Bill Payne*

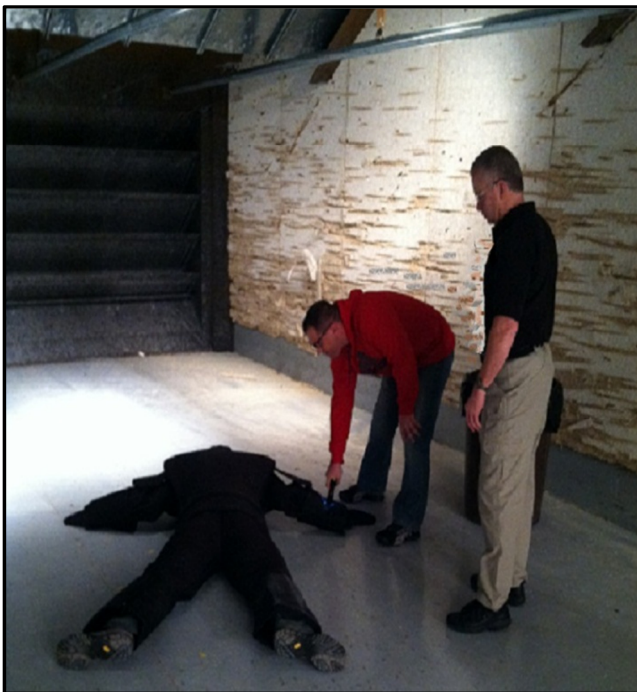


OFFICER DOWN

Officers from Elmhurst Police participated in the funeral for Illinois State Police Trooper James Sauter in April, 2013. Sauter's patrol car was parked on the left shoulder of the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) near Willow Road. Trooper Sauter was killed while helping a motorist on Interstate 94. A semi slammed into the back of Sauter's squad car.



Taser Training





April 18, 2013 - Flood

Elmhurst received a record 7.25 inches of rain.



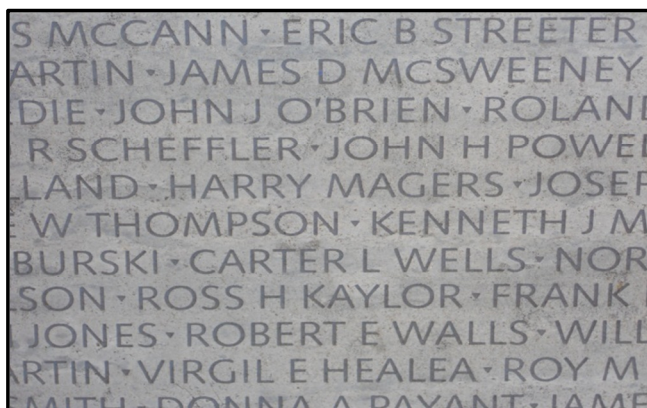
Elmhurst Police attend the Illinois Police Memorial Services in May, 2013



Semi Crash on NB off Ramp from I-290 at Route 83



National Police Memorial Washington, DC May 15, 2013



Harry Mager was appointed as the City's Marshal in 1919 and received a salary of \$110 per month. The marshal had a Henderson motorcycle, which he used to patrol the City. A year after his appointment, Harry Mager, while responding to a complaint of "highway men" at York and St. Charles Roads, became the first law enforcement officer in Elmhurst to be shot and killed in the line of duty. Mager's two assailants were later apprehended and sent to prison.



Auto Accident and DUI Arrest June 01, 2013



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**Laural Panico's Last Day as an
Elmhurst Police Officer
May 28, 2013**

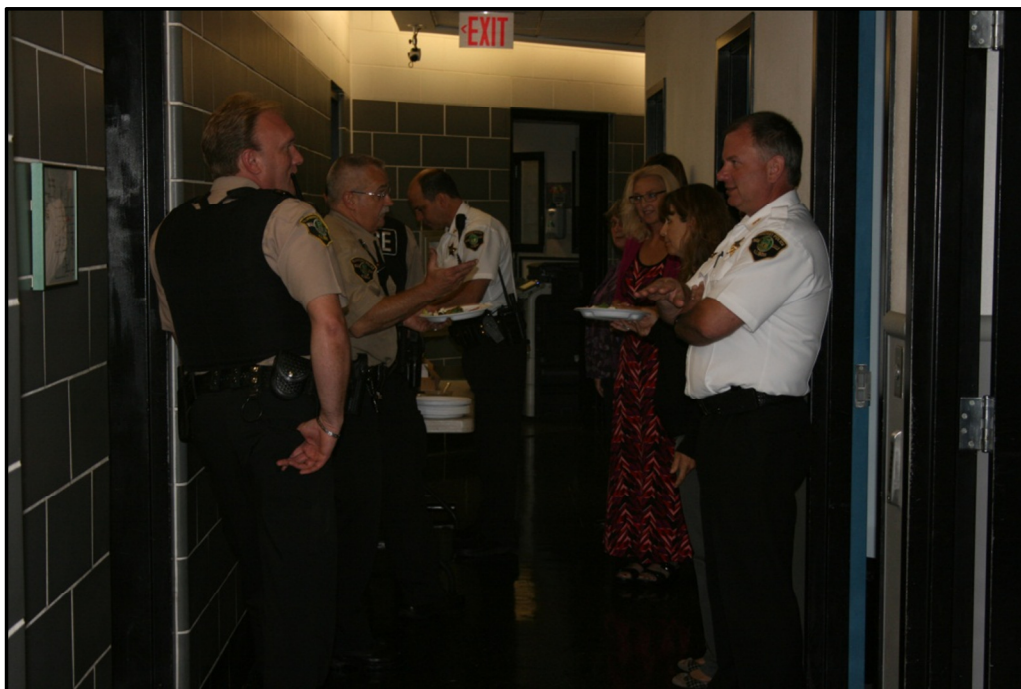


**Officers' Doug Rumick & Loral
Panico Retirement Party
June 11, 2013**





**Officer Steve Wright
Celebrates 25 Years as an
Elmhurst Police Officer
June 25, 2013**



A Final Look...





