

Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success.

- Henry Ford

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### DeKalb Police At A Glance

Organized	1856
Sworn Officers in 2012	60
Civilian Personnel	18
Volunteers	10
Crossing Guards	18
Community Service Officers	3
Budget	\$9,656,419
Service Area	15.5 square miles
Part I Crimes	1555
Part II Crimes	8740
Accidents	1398
Arrests	2847
Citations	5901
Drug Offenses	628
Public Services	10,482

# City of DeKalb At A Glance

Founded	1856	
Government	City Manager	
City Budget	\$29,891,691	
Population	44,030	
Police Officer/Population Ratio		
Per 1000 inhabitants (based on 60 officers)	1.36	
Public School System Population	6080	
Public Schools	11	
Private Schools	1	
Colleges/Universities	1	
Northern Illinois University with 22,000 students		
Hospitals (Kishwaukee Community)	1	

# We Salute...







Sgt. Don Schoo served with the DeKalb Police Department from January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1947 to February 1<sup>st</sup>, 1967. Schoo, an Army veteran, was a machine gunner with the 633rd AAA Battalion 80th Infantry Division. He fought in the Battle of the Bulge, D-Day, and helped liberate the Buchenwald Concentration Camp during World War II. Don has received much recognition for his time served with the US Army.

In 1947 he became a member of the DeKalb Police Department where there were nine full time police officers, which included the Chief, a Lieutenant and a Captain. Patrol Officers had one day off a week, and the pay was \$192.50 a month; \$197.50 for the Captain and Lieutenant and the Chief made \$214.00. Two part time officers filled in on officers' days off. These part timers also worked for the fire department.

Officers worked off duty for no extra pay during special occasions. These would include new business openings, street dances, fairs, football and basketball games, band concerts and any other special events.

Don said the department had one squad car that had to be pushed to get it started. He said if it didn't start, they called for a taxi who drove them to the call. Eventually the taxi driver sold his cab and joined the police department.

The one squad car answered all calls. If there were two calls at the same time, one officer would be dropped off at that call and the other officer would respond to the other call, if there was another officer. Officers had no backup when handling calls.

There were no two-way radios in 1947. When a call came in a light that was mounted on poles, at several locations around town, would turn on. When an officer saw the light on, they would stop and telephone the station for instructions. In 1949 DeKalb service clubs bought two-way radios for the police and fire departments.

Schoo was the first department motorcycle officer and rode the motorcycle 12 months out of the year. He said in the winter time he would put chains on the tires.

He said a police officer responded to every fire call as well. He said he would drive his motorcycle to the fire department where they would respond to the call together, and the firefighters who stayed at the station would wash his bike for him.

Schoo said his time as a police officer was very political. Officers would have to go out in the middle of the night and hang campaign signs for the mayor so no one would see them, on and off duty. They, however, could not use a squad car when doing this.

Sgt. Schoo visits the police department often and shares his memories with us. He recently came in to model his new baseball cap given to him, along with his jacket he wore when he was an active member of the department. (See picture)

Don said his career as a police officer was a lot of fun!



## In Recognition...

Chief Feithen started with the DeKalb Police Department in March of 1975. He transferred to the Investigation Division in November 1982 where he served as the Juvenile/Community Relations Officer. In February 1989 he was promoted to Sergeant and returned to the Patrol Division. In July 1998 he transferred to the Administration Division when he was promoted to Lieutenant. On July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2000 he was promoted to Chief of Police. He retired February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2012.



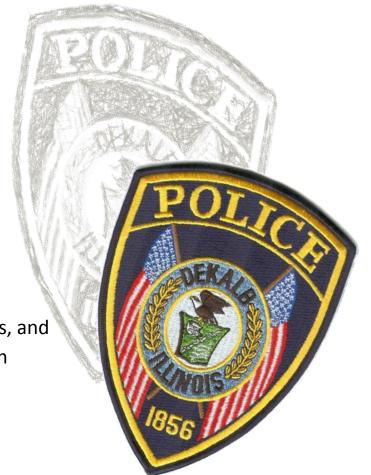
Retired Lt. Ron Pearson returned to the police department as Chief Administrator from February 27<sup>th</sup> thru May 31<sup>st</sup>. This was a contractual position while a search was being conducted to fill the vacancy of police chief.



Lt. Gary Spangler started with the department in October 1989. He was promoted to Corporal in January 1998 and Sergeant in July 1998. He was promoted to Lieutenant in September 2007 and assigned to the Investigation Division. Lt. Spangler retired in July, 2012 with 23 years of service.

# 20 Years

Congratulations to both Sgt. Jon Costliow and Officer Steve Rodriguez who celebrated 20 years with the DeKalb Police Department.



## **VISION STATEMENT**

A city where our families, businesses, and culture prosper in an environment in which all people are treated with dignitary, equity, and respect.

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

The members of the DeKalb Police Department are committed to reducing crime and enhancing the quality of life through an active partnership with our community.

## Message From the Chief

As the Chief of Police for the City of DeKalb I am committed to a police department that embraces service over self and believes that we can make our city a safer place to live, work and raise our families. I realize that there are deep community concerns about safety in our neighborhoods and as such we have implemented a variety of measures to address those concerns. From a visible presence of police officers in and around our schools to proactive measures that target known offenders we are beginning our paradigm shift from a reactive policing strategy to a proactive one.

In 2012 the DeKalb Police Department handled 40,908 calls for service and responded to 21,251 emergency "911" calls, an 11% increase in "911" calls as compared to 2011. Despite the significant demand for services our support personnel and police officers have met the challenge with determination and resolve. As a result of their efforts we recorded a 6% decrease in our most serious crimes (Part 1) and a 2% increase in arrests, we saw a 8% increase in other offenses (Part 2) that was in part the result of an increase in proactive enforcement measures, the lowest number of traffic accidents (1398) in the last five years and a 5% increase in citations issued, and we also experienced an increase in our non-crime related public services by 12% (10,482 as compared to 9,371 in 2011).

As part of a longer term policing strategy the DeKalb Police Department introduced several programs and initiatives in 2012 that are designed to reduce crime and develop partnerships with our community stakeholders. We have strengthened our relationship with the Northern Illinois University Police Department and have become more effective partners in the interest of public safety. In all aspects of our mission, we are constantly reviewing what we do and how we do it in order to improve the delivery of services and enhance our overall safety and quality of life.

The police department's vision is to employ effective policing strategies, develop community partnerships, and engage in the efficient deployment of resources to serve our city, where our families, businesses, and culture prosper in an environment in which all people are treated with dignity, equity, and respect. The members of the DeKalb Police Department are committed to reducing crime and enhancing the quality of life through an active partnership with our community.

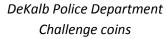
Please take the time to review this report and see what we have accomplished and what areas we need to improve upon. Most of all I encourage you, as members of or visitors to our city, to do all that you can to be our "partner." We welcome this partnership with you that will promote a strong sense of "community" that will bond us in our common cause.

Respectfully,

-Gene Lowery, Chief of Police

### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2012**

- Hired a new Police Chief.
- Created the Deputy Chief position beginning the reorganization of the police department.
- Joined the social media world with Facebook, Twitter, and signed the agreement to implement the new "iWatch DeKalb" mobile application for crime reporting.
- Enhanced our co-policing initiative with the NIU Police Department.
- Launched the "20/20 Initiatives" implementing 20 initiatives in 20 months.
- Implemented an enhanced Resident Officer Program (R.O.P.)
- Construction started on the new police station.
- Began the implementation of new software for computer aided dispatch and records management.
- Redesigned the squad cars color scheme to black & white and included city and police logos.
- Worked with NIU and Kishwaukee College Student Associations in campaigning for "Not On My Campus" a program to promote responsible behavior and accountability.



- "Challenge" coins were designed.
- Deployed patrol officers at local schools as a visible deterrent to crime and violence as well as initiating a community policing practice.
- Established a combined Community Relations/Training Officer program to enhance communication and relationship building with our citizens and to professionally train our staff.
- Approved the Crime Free Housing Bureau to help reduce crime in the over 9000 rental units within the city. This will be implemented in 2013.
- Reviewed and revised several ordinances to improve the quality of life for our citizens and to reduce crime.
- Initiated an agreement with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to assign a DeKalb police officer to the regional narcotics task force.
- Implemented a leadership mentoring program for new supervisors.
- Began hiring additional police officers to reach our authorized strength of 63 and created a lateral entry program for recruiting certified police officers.
- Implemented measures to change the police department from a reactive response methodology to a proactive policing strategy by utilizing intelligence driven policing principles.
- Evaluated the option of a consolidated dispatch center that could provide dispatching services to other police agencies.
- Instituted enforcement measures in regard to non-compliant sex offenders, parolees, and persons who were wanted on warrants.
- Began to plan and implement the Targeted Response Unit (TRU) to address specific crime problems and quality of life issues.
- Assessed organizational strengths and weaknesses to improve the delivery of services, greater integration
  of technology, leadership, and succession planning.
- Sought opportunities to enhance communications interoperability and interagency cooperation with our public safety partners and community stakeholders.
- Noted a 6% decrease in our most serious crimes and an increase in citations and arrests.

### **DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT 2012**

The DeKalb Police Department is where you will find a team of dedicated public servants who care about our DeKalb community and strive to serve with compassion, honesty and respect.

**CHIEF OF POLICE** William Feithen\* Ron Pearson \*\* Gene Lowery \*\*\*

**DEPUTY CHIEF** Wes Hoadley+

**LIEUTENANTS** Carl Leoni Gary Spangler\*

**SERGEANTS** James McDougall **Tracy Smith** Jason Leverton+ John Petragallo Jonathan Costliow

Robert Redel

**Thomas Petit** 

James Haacker

Stylianos Lekkas+

**CORPORALS** Curt Biarnesen Mark Tehan Scott Farrell

Joseph Espy

### PERSONNEL CHANGES

RETIRED

Chief Bill Feithen Lt. Gary Spangler

**HIRED** 

Police Administrator Ron Pearson Chief of Police Gene Lowery

Officer Jon Jursich

**PROMOTED** 

Lt. Wes Hoadley to Deputy Chief

Sgt. Jason Leverton to Lieutenant

Det. Steve Lekkas to Sergeant

**RESIGNED** 

**Amber Weiss** 

**SWORN OFFICERS** 

J. Kenton Quist Fred Busby

**Burton Johnson** 

Steven Rodriguez Jeffrey Winters

Aaron Lockhart Chad McNett

Mark Nachman Michael Stewart

Reda Reese

Jose Jaques Kevin Ferrigan

**Angel Reves Todd Wells** 

Richard Reynolds

Jason Watson Darrick Wesson Kelly Sullivan

Mario Nonnemann

**Brian Bollow** Craig Woodruff Paul Mott

Tony Kwasniewski

Anthony Densberger

Chris Sullivan Thomas Reilly Keith Ehrke Jeffrey Weese Lance Reinbolz Jared Burke

Elizabeth Fabro Jeffrey Ackland **Keunte Mallett Aaron Gates** Philip Brown Jessica Duehning

Geoffrey Guzinski

Joshua Boldt Kris Mecca

Ryan Wilkens **Bryan Soderstrom** 

Jonathan Jursich\*\*\*

**COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER** 

Sgt. Lisa Miller

**FULL TIME TELECOMMUNICATORS** 

Donna Zenzen Juanita Burke Carol Halsey Heide Durham Amber Weiss++ Linda Besler Jeremiah Wilson Michael Callahan Sean Woyna

PART TIME TELECOMMUNICATOR

Adrienne Oziah Jill Caldwell

LaToya Marz

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Penny Meier

**SECRETARIES** Rita Larson

COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICERS

Pamela Faivre James Rhoades **Daniel Gerace** 

**VOLUNTEERS** 

**CROSSING GUARDS** 

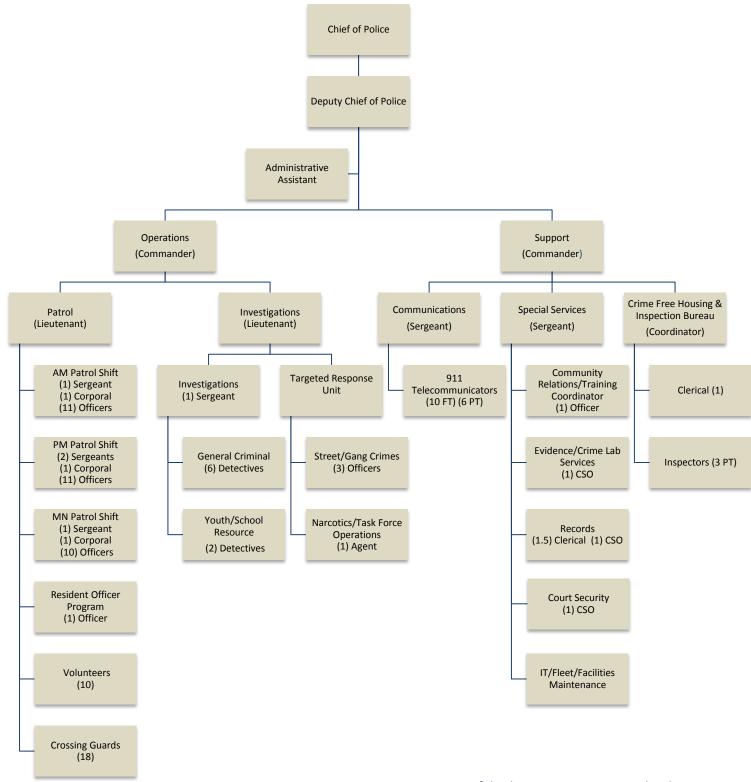
+Promoted

++Resigned

\*Retired \*\*Contracted

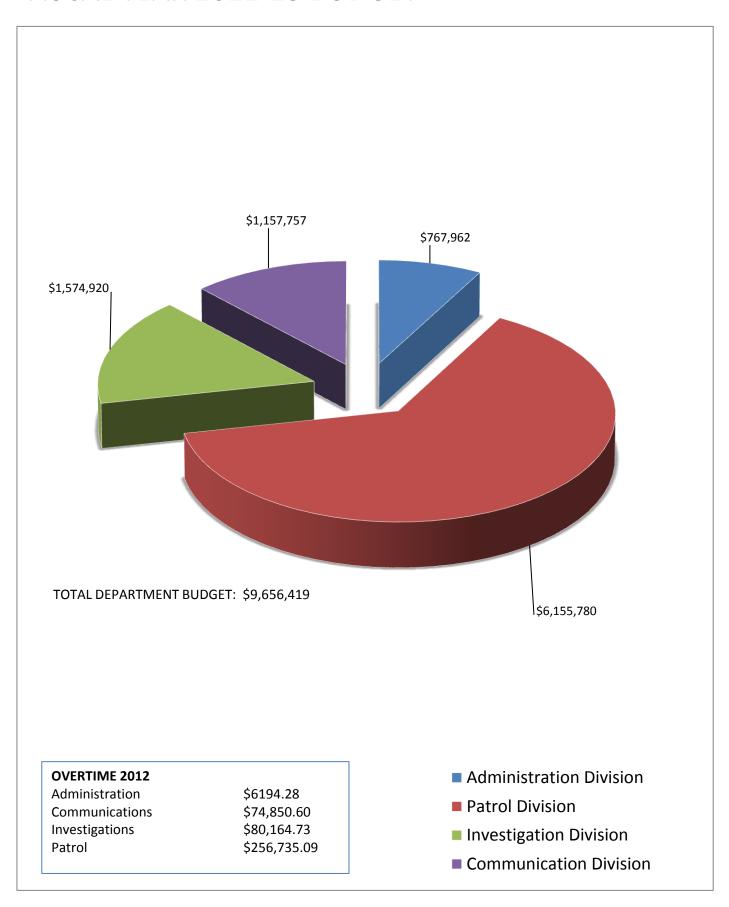
\*\*\*Hired

## **ORGANIZATIONAL CHART**



In 2012 a reorganization of the department was proposed and approved by City Council. The department is now comprised of a Support and Operation Division with a Commander to be named in 2013 to lead each division. Authorized strength in 2012 is 63 sworn officers.

## FISCAL YEAR 2012-13 BUDGET











### SUPPORT DIVISION

## - Administration

The Office of the Chief handles the day-to-day operations of leading the Police Department. It is primarily responsible for the overall management and future of the department. The Chief's office is the liaison with other City departments, elected City officials, private sector agencies, and various community and neighborhood organizations.

The Administrative Services Division also includes the Finance Section, Community Relations Section, Crime Statistics and Record Keeping, Communications, Training, the Crime Free Housing Section and Evidence/Crime Lab Section.

This past year the Administrative Services division underwent several changes. Chief Bill Feithen retired with 37 years of service. In interim, Retired Lieutenant Ron Pearson was contracted to serve as Chief Administrator from February through May. On May 29th Gene Lowery was hired as Chief of Police, who came to the department with 33 years of law enforcement service. Lt. Wes Hoadley was promoted to the newly created position of Deputy Chief, and the City Council authorized a part-time clerical position be created, which will be filled in 2013.

Of the numerous changes that occurred during 2012 the two that changed the face of the police department was the reorganization of the department to enhance the delivery of services and public safety and the implementation of the DeKalb Police Department's "20/20 Vision for the Future Plan" that put in place twenty initiatives in twenty months.

#### SUPPORT SERVICES:

The Records Division is responsible for the retention of all reports, citations, arrests, and other records/data utilized by the DeKalb Police Department. They are charged with the integrity and confidentiality of reports to insure the credibility of the administration of justice from an arrest on the street to a disposition in court.

They are responsible for reporting Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (CLERY Act), Uniform Crime Report (UCR), racial profiling data and a variety of other crime statistics for the department and community.

The Administrative Sergeant is primarily responsible for all computer services. This year a great amount of time has been tasked with the preparation of the new OSSI software that brings a new computer aided dispatch and records management system to the police department that will be implemented in 2013 and preparing for the upcoming move to the new police department.

The purchase of new software was made and the ground work was started. This software package includes Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD), a Records Management System (RMS), Crime and Link Analysis, Sex Offender module, Police 2 Citizen, Automated Vehicle Locator (AVL), Field Reporting, Intelligence, Gang, and other modules. The "go live" date is set for April of 2013.

# FLEET/FACILITIES MAINTENANCE:

This is primarily the duties of the Deputy Chief. This year the fleet started undergoing a new look and for the first time DeKalb squads went to black and white that incorporated both the city logo and police department patch as part of its design. This new look will be phased in with the purchase of new squads or as vehicles are repaired.



### SUPPORT DIVISION

#### **EVIDENCE/CRIME LAB:**

The Evidence & Property Room Section if staffed by a part time community service officer who is responsible for the receipt, storage, safekeeping, release and disposal of all evidence and property taken into the custody of the DeKalb Police Department, in accordance with Federal, State and Local laws and within the policies of the DeKalb

#### **COURT SECURITY:**

Police Officers and Community Service Officers provide security for those coming into the municipal courtroom. Officers also may be required to take appropriate action in disruptive situations within the courtroom. Court is held at the DeKalb Municipal Building on Mondays, excluding court holidays.

#### TRAINING:

The DeKalb Police Department retains its commitment to regularly train officers in the many facets of law enforcement. The scope of an officer's duties requires ongoing training and recertification in a broad range of topics.

In 2012 a total of 2606 hours were spent in training; compared to 2011 with 5225.5 hours and in 2010 1606 hours. \*In 2011 three officers accounted for 1440 hours while attending the Police Training Academy.

#### **CRIME FREE HOUSING:**

This position was created in 2012; however, it will not be filled until 2013. It will be comprised of a coordinator, a clerk and threepart-time inspectors. This is a public safety partnership that assists with property owners, tenants, and law enforcement personnel in an effort to eliminate crime in multi-unit complexes and other rental properties.



#### **FACEBOOK**

The DeKalb Police Department joined the social media world by using Facebook to share police-related community events, to inform the community of certain crimes, or in turn ask the community to help solve crimes. Future plans are to utilize Twitter to help better engage with the community.

#### COMMUNITY RELATIONS/TRAINING OFFICER:

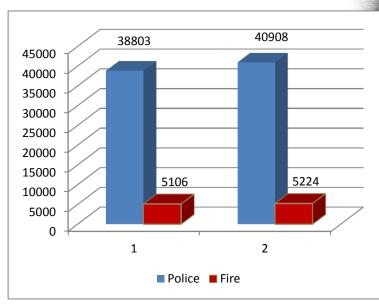
This is a new position created through the police department's reorganization which will enhance relations between the police and the community as well as provide effective and relevant training for our staff. The Community Relations Officer focuses on projects that can implemented to enhance services to the community, improve communication, and to improve the quality of life for everyone within the City of DeKalb.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

The Communications Division understands the importance of good communication between our agency and the community we serve. The direct link between the public and our officers is the Telecommunications Center, which are staffed 24-hours a day, seven days a week. Their primary function is to receive, prioritize and assign calls for service to both Police and Fire. They are certified in Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) and are certified through the State of Illinois. They also monitor radio traffic for Public Works and the Fire Department as well as monitor all security cameras throughout the Police Department and the Municipal Building.

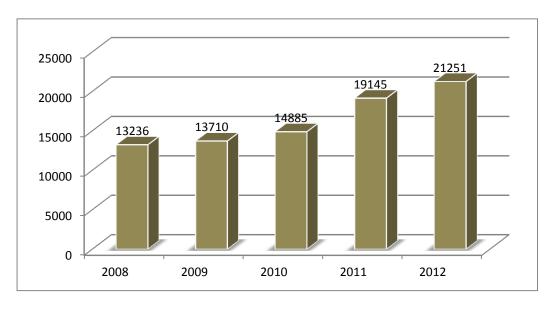
They are staffed with 10 full time telecommunicators and two part-time telecommunicators. In 2012 they entered 40,908 police calls, 5236 fire/ambulance calls, and answered over 21,200 "911" calls. We were also authorized to expand our part time telecommunication staff from three to six positions.

### FIRE AND POLICE CALLS





**911 CALLS** 



### **OPERATIONS DIVISION**

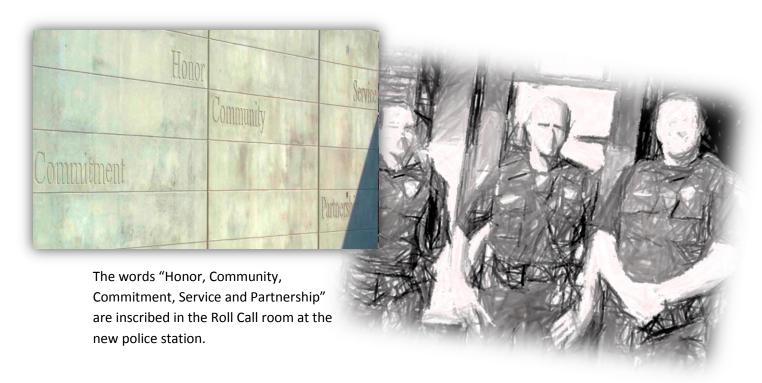
# - Investigations and Patrol

The Operations Division is represented by the dedicated men and women who respond to calls for service, make onview arrests and investigate criminal acts of all types. In 2012 they responded to 40,908 calls for service and over 21,000 "911" calls.

With the reorganization of the Operations Division it is now comprised of the Patrol and Investigation units. Patrol officers are the most visible representatives of the department and they are the first responders to incidents. They respond to events by being dispatched from the 911 call center or by viewing a situation as it is occurring. Patrol officers also get to know the various neighborhoods throughout the city and the community members they serve within their beat. When not responding directly to calls, or address other quality of life issues, the patrol officers use proactive time to combat ongoing crime problems in specific neighborhoods.

The Investigation Unit is comprised of highly trained professionals that specialize in criminal investigations. The Detectives conduct follow-up criminal investigations on felony and serious misdemeanor crimes reported to the Police Department. Typically, a uniformed police officer responds to a call for service and prepares a police report which may require follow-up investigation. A Detective is then assigned to conduct the follow-up, often requiring many hours of investigation before an arrest is made or a case is closed.

Current and future specialized units will operate under the Operations Division. They include: Bike Patrol, Motor-Officers, Gang/Drug Enforcement, Youth Services, School Resource Officers, Marijuana Leaf Identification Services, Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System (ILEAS), Resident Officer Program (R.O.P.), the Targeted Response Unit and a Drug Enforcement Administration Task Force Officer. Each unit is designed to meet the needs of the community we serve in the most efficient and professional manner possible.



#### **BIKE PATROL:**

In 2012, the bike patrol (consisting of eight officers) took a proactive approach to crime prevention and criminal enforcement. The bike patrol concentrated their efforts on the area surrounding Northern Illinois University, while still patrolling all areas of DeKalb, including many hours on the bike path. The bike patrol often rode in teams of two and while occasionally handling calls for service, was dedicated to being highly visible and actively searching for criminal activity.

The bike patrol was often given specific assignments in areas that needed attention. These areas included special events and community functions along with areas that saw some type of problem needing to be addressed. Therefore, the bike patrol saw a decrease in calls for service, and a drastic increase in criminal arrests, traffic arrests and parking violations.

They participated in community events such as: Folk Fest, Flamingo grand opening, Police Department ground breaking, MS Tour De Farms, Nehring Electric open house, Children's Learning Center Meet & Greet, Maplewood Block Party, CornFest, Camp Maple Leaf, Cornfest 10K Run, Gwendolyn Brooks recess, Bacon Palooza, CornFest Bike Rally and Hopkins Park fireworks.

Total Hours per Zone:	Activity:	2011	2012	%CHANGE
Zone 1 651.5	Arrests	28	79	32%
Zone 2 251	Traffic Arrests	24	92	283%
Zone 3 179	Parking Violations	46	403	776%
	Calls for Service	599	579	-3%
	Ordinance Violations	77	77	N/A

#### **GANG UNIT**

The Gang Unit investigates gang-related crime, provides street level gang enforcement, gathers gang intelligence and performs gang awareness presentations to the community. The Gang Unit works closely with the community, school district, community stakeholders and other law enforcement agencies. They continue their outreach program to the community by discouraging gang involvement and forming relationships with the affected population. Through this cooperative effort, it is hoped that a significant impact on youth will reduce gang incidents and gang violence.

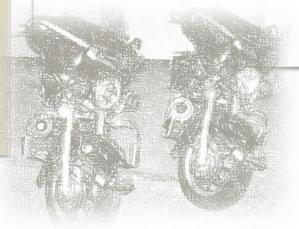
#### MARIJUANA LEAF IDENTIFICATION:

The DeKalb Police Department is certified by the Illinois Local Government Law Enforcement Officer's Training Board to test cannabis. This year 310 cases involving cannabis were tested, with 17 of those being from other agencies.

This program which is certified by the State of Illinois saves valuable time and resources once committed to crime laboratory evidence submissions while at the same time supporting other regional police agencies.

#### **MOTOR UNIT:**

The Motor Unit was established in 2004 with its main focus being traffic enforcement, community policing and special events. Officers assigned to this unit are known as "motor officers." The Motor Unit logged in hundreds of hours in of patrol in 2012. They participated in parades, CornFest, Illinois Police Officers' Memorial, National Night Out and a variety of other special events and policing operations.



#### ILEAS:

The DeKalb Police Department has two officers on the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System (ILEAS) Mobile Field Force. Realizing that individual departments cannot field a team of officers to handle major crowd control incidents ILEAS forged the Mobile Field Force, a contingent of police officers from ILEAS member departments, to handle such incidents. The officers from different police departments are equipped and trained through ILEAS to handle crowd control, protests and riots. In 2012 these officers were sent to the G8 Summit in Chicago.

One officer is also assigned to the Weapons of Mass Destruction Special Response Team (WMD SRT). Again, departments can train an officer to be a part of a team that serves any agency during a time of need. The WMD SRT teams are locally employed SWAT teams that are specially trained and funded by ILEAS to deal with human threats in a hazardous materials environment. They often act as regional tactical assets for local agencies.

#### CHAPLAIN:

The DeKalb Police Chaplain program was developed to provide better service to the citizens of DeKalb as well as department personnel in times of personal crisis.

Chaplains volunteer their time to provide spiritual guidance and counseling to all members of the DeKalb Police Department, their families, as well as citizens in need.

More pleasant duties include attending departmental social events. The Chaplains may periodically attend shift briefings and ride along with patrol officers.

#### SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS:

The School Resource Officer program is a cooperative effort between the DeKalb Police Department and the DeKalb School District. The School Resource officers serve as a teacher, counselor, role model, and advocate for students, families, faculty and staff. The SRO is not the school disciplinarian, nor do they perform any other staff function. They bring full service, personalized policing to an important segment of our community. With a full-time presence in the schools, they are easily recognized and approachable resource for students.

#### The goals of the SRO are:

- 1. Provide students, faculty and staff the opportunity to meet and interact with a police office in a non-confrontational setting.
- 2. To act as a deterrent to crime in the school buildings, on campus, and in the community surrounding the school not only through uniformed presence, but also by developing positive relationships with students, faculty, staff, and community members.
- 3. To provide for the safety and security of the school's students, faculty, staff and visitors.

#### YOUTH/SERVICES DIVISION:

The Youth Services Unit specializes in handling investigations involving juvenile offenders and is tasked with the responsibility of addressing the problems and needs of juveniles within the community.

The juvenile officers will use a variety of methodologies when determining how to handle each situation. They have several options, depending upon the circumstances and the gravity of the situation at hand. The decisions are based upon consideration for the welfare of the youth and the reintegration of the family, as well as the benefits to the community as a whole.

This year there were 365 juvenile arrests.

- 11 Charged as Adult
- 10 Formal Station Adjustment
- 37 Informal Station Adjustment
- 20 Referred to City Court
- 227 Referred to Juvenile Court Services
- 63 Summoned/Cited/Notified

\*Some juveniles are given more than one disposition per arrest; thus, any discrepancies.

#### **TARGETED RESPONSE UNIT:**

The Targeted Response Unit's (TRU) primary focus is demonstrating a pro-active, problem solving initiative, consistent with the Department's community oriented policing philosophy. TRU will address street crime and quality of life issues in order to improve public safety and enhance our overall quality of life.

TRU is also responsible for monitoring all registered sex offenders, parolees, individuals wanted on warrants, and gang members residing within the community. Additionally, TRU will be on the front line of proactive policing through the pursuit of known offenders, by initiating street level narcotics-related investigations, and provides support to the Criminal Investigation/Patrol Divisions. The TRU Sergeant will work in conjunction with our officers, and other law enforcement agencies to further achieve set goals. This unit will begin service in May 2013.

#### **CROSSING GUARDS:**

The DeKalb Police Department employs 18 part-time school crossing guards who are responsible for crossing children at 15 crossings for five elementary schools and two middle schools in the city. The crossing guard's primary duty is to see that children cross the street in marked crosswalks and in a manner that provides for their maximum safety. The crossing guards are hired, trained, and supervised by the Administrative Sergeant.

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICERS:**

The Community Service Officers (CSO) are nonsworn, part-time civilian members of the police department. They perform law enforcement related community services work that does not require the enforcement authority of a sworn police officer. A majority of their duties include property and evidence functions, abandon autos, parking patrol, aiding in the processing of arrestees, and assisting all divisions in various tasks.

#### **VOLUNTEERS:**

Law enforcement volunteers are comprised of college students with aspirations of law enforcement careers and local residents who are interested in assisting the police in their mission. They perform service for the department without promise, expectation, or receipt of compensation for services rendered. These services may include booking prisoners, checking the security of vacationing residents' homes, traffic control during special events, and assisting the department in other various ways. Volunteers act as an extra set of eyes and ears for patrol officers by riding along with officers and participating in nonhazardous, non-enforcement activities such as preventative patrols or Neighborhood Watch programs.

This past year our volunteers served 2,485 hours. Their assistance included 597 hours of preventative patrol; booking 396 prisoners and helping citizens with 54 lockouts. The value of the hours the volunteers provide is estimated in excess of \$125,000.

The volunteer program is a registered participant in the National Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS) program.

We cannot thank these volunteers enough and their contributions are invaluable to the department.





# COMMENDATIONS/PROMOTIONS/NEW HIRES



Sgt. Jason Leverton was "pinned" by his father at a City Council meeting when he was promoted to Lieutenant.



Chief Gene Lowery being sworn in as the new Chief of Police.



Det. Steve Lekkas being "pinned" by his mother when promoted to Sergeant.



In December 2012 Officer Jon Jursich was hired.



Chief Administrator Ron Pearson in press conference regarding his return to lead the department in the interim between chiefs.



Lt. Wes Hoadley is being "pinned" by his wife, Lori, when promoted to Deputy Chief.

### **COMMENDATIONS**

#### The following are some of the commendations given to officers in 2012

For your performance on October 20, 2012 — an armed robbery occurred where two victims were robbed at gunpoint —one suspect having a handgun and one suspect possessing brass knuckles. Your perseverance in locating and apprehending the suspect resulted in a resistant arrest. The suspect was charged with armed robbery, resisting arrest and three counts of unlawful use of weapons. Other officers who assisted in the incident—located and arrested the second suspect, who was charged with armed robbery and unlawful use of weapons.

On December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012, you and your fellow officers received anonymous information that two suspects had lost a significant amount of illicit narcotics, may be unlawfully restraining a female while searching for the missing drugs, and may be in possession of a firearm. As part of a team of officers investigating this information you were provided limited information with a basic vehicle description. While working in concert to locate the vehicle, identify the suspects, and check on the well-being of the female, observations made by you and your fellow officers facilitated the finding of the vehicle and the suspects.

Upon further your investigation into the anonymous information officers observed, in plain view a handgun on the floor of the vehicle. All of the subjects involved were interviewed, and ultimately one of the suspects confessed that he was in possession of a loaded firearm and was actively seeking his lost/stolen narcotics. As a result of your team effort and perseverance the offender was charged with Aggravated Unlawful Use of Weapons and other firearm violations. There is no doubt that the vigilant follow-up on the anonymous information led to insuring the female was not endangered, the weapon was recovered, and the offender was arrested. Further, your efforts were key to the prevention of a more serious incident and the removal of a firearm from the streets of our city. You are to be commended for a job well done and for representing yourself and the DeKalb Police Department in an exemplary manner.

I would like to extend my gratitude to you regarding your performance in the Unlawful Use of Weapons case on September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2012. Putting forth the extra efforts resulted in the identification and apprehension of the suspects. One offender was charged with aggravated unlawful use of weapons and possession of a firearm without a FOID card and the other offender was charged with obstructing justice and obstructing ID. It goes without saying that "going the extra mile" pays off.

On December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012 our dispatch center received a 911 hang up call that had been transferred from the NIU Police Department. Attempts to re-contact the original caller had failed; however, our telecommunicator was able to attain information from in-house records that linked the caller's phone number to an address that had been provided on a previous check for well-being report. That information was relayed to the responding officers who subsequently went to the address, where no one responded to their efforts to get someone to answer the door, and as such officers made entry to the residence to check on the well-being of the occupants.

Upon entering the residence with the assistance of the property management officers located the occupant in a semi-conscious state, in a bedroom. This individual had attached a mask to a nitrogen tank and had been inhaling the gas in an effort to commit suicide and would later admit that it was his intent to take his own life. The individual was transported to the hospital by ambulance and ultimately survived the incident. Had it not been for the team effort by the telecommunicator and the officers this subject may have died. You, as a part of this team effort, are to be commended for a job well done and for representing yourself and the DeKalb Police Department in an exemplary manner.

For your performance on September 2nd, 2012 in a stop of a suspicious person while on bike patrol. This contact and search of the vehicle and person lead to the arrest of the offender who was charged with aggravated unlawful use of weapons, unlawful possession of cannabis and possession of ammunition without a FOID card.

### COMMENDATIONS

On December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012 you were on your way home from a tour of duty at the police department when you observed a subject who appeared to be unlawfully entering a vehicle in the 100 block of Warren Street. You called the incident in to the DeKalb Police dispatch center requesting that police respond to the scene, exited your vehicle and detained the suspect. On duty officers arrived on the scene, the offender was taken into custody, the offender confessed, and ultimately was charged with Burglary to Vehicle. As a result of your off duty actions, the victim's car was not damaged, no property was taken, and the offender was apprehended prior to victimizing any other neighbor's vehicles.

On December 4th, 2012, a suspect was arrested and transported to the police department for the booking process. The suspect was held in the booking room, handcuffed to a bench, while the arresting officer went to complete the paperwork. A short time later you (telecommunicator) observed, via the security cameras, that the suspect had placed a belt around his neck in an attempt to choke himself. You quickly alerted officers of the situation. Your astute observation and notification to officers prevented any injury to the suspect.

This team effort resulted in a successful conclusion. You are to be commended for a job well done.

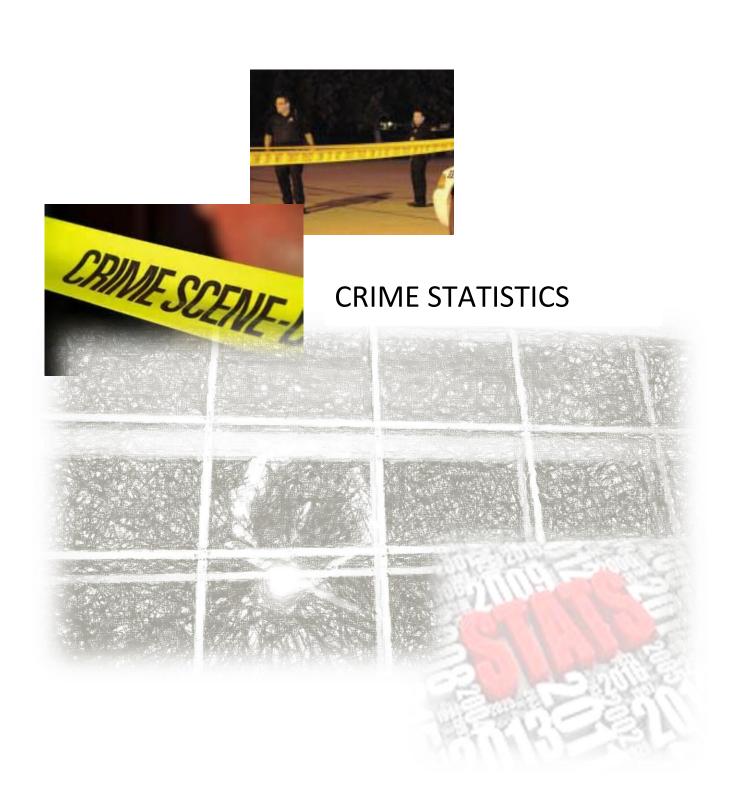
On November 7th, 2012, at 0719 hours a call was received regarding a suicidal subject. The caller advised that a client was threatening suicide and this person had two young children with her. Officers were unable to locate her by the location given. Your concentrated efforts in locating the victim by "pinging" her cell phone and contacting the Huskie Bus company, the suicidal subject was located. The victim and her children were found unharmed.

This team effort resulted in a successful conclusion. You are to be commended for a job well done.

On September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012, you responded to a burglary where prescription medication was reportedly taken in the crime. Your subsequent investigation revealed that the victim had been lured from her residence by a known drug user and been previously burglarized on May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012. As a result of your dedication to duty you identified the suspects, obtained their confessions, cleared both cases by arrest, and ultimately recovered a stolen ring that had significant sentimental value to the victim in this case.

The offenders were all charged with residential burglary respectively regarding these cases.

You are to be commended and thanked for your perseverance.



### **ACCIDENTS**



#### 2012 Facts...

Friday is the day that experienced the most accidents.

Saturday is the day with the most injury accidents.

The highest accident frequency per hour is between 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

22 year old drivers were involved in the most accidents.

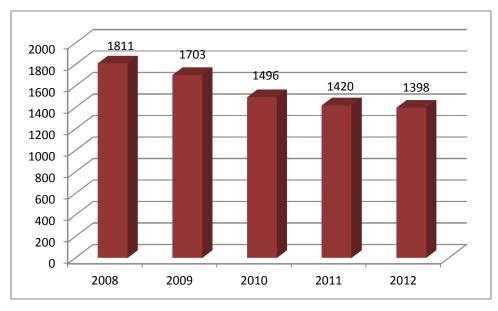
There were a total of 577 citations issued in accident involved incidents.

Most frequent citation issued was for "Too fast for conditions."

There were 212 persons injured in accidents and 3 fatalities



### TOTAL NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS



The reduction of accidents is attributed through roadway engineering, enforcement and education.

### HIGHEST INTERSECTION ACCIDENTS

<u>2012</u>	
Annie Glidden & Lincoln	16
Lincoln & Peace	11
Barber Greene & Sycamore	9
4 <sup>th</sup> & Lincoln	9
1 <sup>st</sup> & Lincoln	7
<u>2011</u>	
4 <sup>th</sup> & Lincoln	11
Annie Glidden & Lincoln	10
Barber Greene & Sycamore	9
1 <sup>st</sup> & Lincoln	8
Lincoln & Peace	8
<u>2010</u>	
Annie Glidden & Lincoln	17
Lincoln & Peace	10
1 <sup>st</sup> & Lincoln	8
7 <sup>th</sup> & Sycamore	8

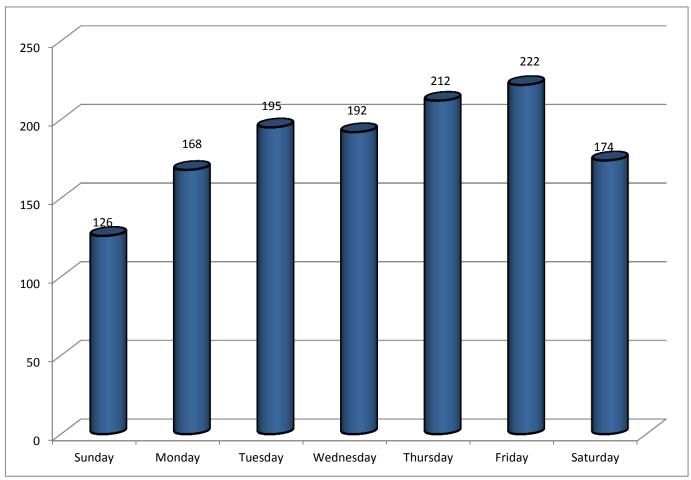
# ACCIDENTS BY DAY OF WEEK











# **ASSIST OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES**

ACTIVITY	2010	2011	2012
To Fire Department	344	382	435
To Other Government Agencies	202	244	239
To Other Police Agencies	701	642	584
To School District	43	72	63
Subpoenas Served/Attempt to Serve	12	10	14
Warrant Arrests	524	590	644*
Warrant Attempts	200	180	614
TOTAL	2026	2120	1949

<sup>\*</sup>With the co-policing initiative, NIU Police made 77 DeKalb warrant arrests, which is included in this total.

# **PUBLIC SERVICES**

ACTIVITY	2010	2011	2012
Assist Business	344	269	302
Assist Citizen	1242	1260	1337
Assist Motorist	780	695	614
Building Checks	3723	2708	3848
Child Safety Seat Inspections	134	69	96
Court Security	47	28	20
Crossing Guard Duty	153	121	65
Escorts	414	412	423
Fingerprint Civilians	477	533	471
Keys Locked in Car	2456	2321	2330
Lost/Found Property	226	215	227
Message Delivery	45	55	59
Open Door/Window	130	115	101
Other Public Service	4	4	2
Pickup/Delivery of Articles	30	44	51
Public Presentations	28	26	35
Lost/Found Bicycles	88	121	124
Special Events	23	29	34
Vacation Checks	427	346	343
Total	10,771	9371	10,482

# **SPECIAL SERVICES**

	2010	2011	2012
Accidental Injury	22	9	18
Air Gun Violation	29	14	2
Alarm	838	846	940
Animal Call	597	544	604
Annoying Phone Call	41	19	30
Check Well Being	591	610	669
Citizen Contact*	N/A	N/A	21*
Civil Dispute	232	211	190
Criminal Damage - No Report	25	22	26
Disorderly Conduct-No Arrest/Report	653	598	634
Disorderly House	96	98	115
Disorderly Juvenile	242	249	295
Domestic Trouble	891	901	885
Fighting In City	164	147	159
ID Check/No Arrest	47	22	44
Intoxicated Person	139	149	203
Landlord/Tenant Dispute	67	55	38
Littering	44	30	29
Loitering	18	16	44
Lost/Missing/Found Juvenile	203	198	168
Loud Party/Stereo	917	1004	1038
Mental Case	43	58	61
Missing Adult	32	30	29
Neighbor Trouble	74	76	83
Noise Complaint	422	423	376
Other Calls/Special Services	150	120	200
Property Damage/Non-Criminal	48	50	44
Relocator Complaints	44	30	36
Repossession	74	43	58
Sex Offender Registration/Checks	255	138	203
Shots Fired	16	20	38
Solicitors	61	86	85
Standby-Child/Property Exchange	80	120	179
Sudden Death	16	22	24
Suicide	4	3	2
Suicide-Attempt/Threat	110	120	143
Suspicious Activity	784	773	712
Suspicious Activity Involving Child	13	10	14
Suspicious Auto	565	565	676
Suspicious Gang Activity/Person	37	17	13
Suspicious Person	518	618	682
Suspicious Drug Activity/Drug Tip*	N/A	N/A	115*
Suspicious Activity/Weapon Involved*	N/A	N/A	17*
Theft – No Report	25	15	16
Smoking/Tobacco Violations	4	37	22
Trespass – No Report	71	73	79
Unfounded 911 Calls	1025	992	770
Unfounded Calls	32	33	38
TOTAL	10,359	10,214	10,714

<sup>\*</sup>new categories created in 2012

# TRAFFIC SERVICES

ACTIVITY	2010	2011	2012
Abandon Auto	246	150	136
Bike Warning	3	7	3
Driver's License Check	197	150	197
Mini Bike/ATV Complaints	31	16	21
Motorist Dispute	2	5	5
Other Traffic	641	1123	702
Parking Complaints	433	416	420
Parking Tickets Issued	14,101	13,090	11,449
Pedestrian Warning	114	53	101
Reckless Driver Complaints	172	128	163
Road Obstruction/Hazard	160	101	146
Snow Emergency Enforcement	3	4	1
Snowmobile Violations	2	1	1
Traffic Control	35	39	71
Truck Enforcement Complaints	2	3	1
Vehicle Registration Check	374	239	262
Verbal Warning	55	31	22
Written Warnings	3523	2723	3188
TOTALS	20,094	18,279	16,889

# TRAFFIC CITATIONS

CITATION	2010	2011	2012
Child Restraint/No Seat Belt	1669	881	1253
Disobeyed Traffic Control Devices	315	375	369
Driver License Violations	616	567	643
Driving Under Influence Alcohol/Drugs	133	157	229
DUI Over .08	82	100	158
Equipment Violations	97	111	111
Failure to Yield	147	167	186
Following Too Closely	67	13	13
Hit & Run	74	57	60
Illegal Transportation of Alcohol	45	55	56
Improper Lane Usage	136	184	216
Improper Use/Suspended/No Registration	347	379	323
Miscellaneous	160	169	149
One Way Streets	11	12	13
Operating Uninsured Vehicle/False Insurance Card	1424	1227	1150
Passing School Bus	3	7	13
Pedestrian Rights & Duties	19	7	8
Railroad Crossing Violations	6	5	7
Reckless Driving and Fleeing/Eluding	16	20	20
Speeding – Over/Too Fast for Conditions/School Zone	215	325	293
Speeding – Radar	1622	741	592
Turning Violations	25	21	26
Zero Tolerance	6	11	13
TOTAL	7235	5591	5901

## **DUI ENFORCEMENT**

City of DeKalb
2012 DUI Facts...

There was a 46% increase in DUI arrests from 2011 to 2012.

Of the 229 arrests 60 were female and 169 were males.

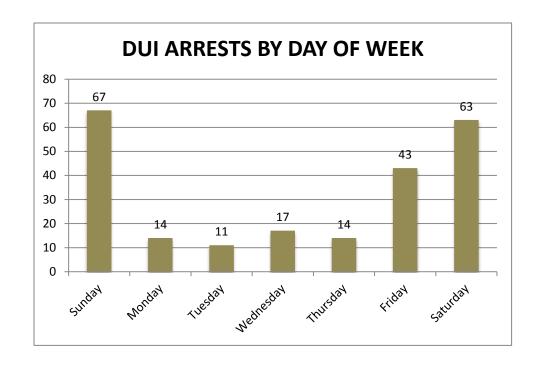
The average age for a DUI arrest in the City of DeKalb is 28.

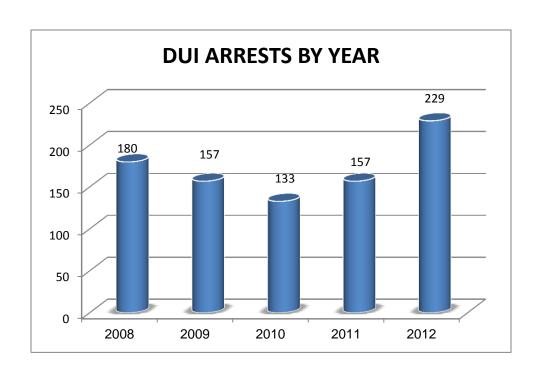
22 year olds received the most DUIs.

23 DUIs were accident related and 206 were made during routine patrol.

There were 13 Zero Tolerance arrests but are not included in this data.

Of the 229 DUI arrests, 12 were charged as DUI-drugs.





### **PART I CRIMES**

The Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program divides offenses into two groups, Part I and Part II crimes. The UCR Program collects data about Part I offenses in order to measure the level and scope of crime occurring throughout the Nation. The program's founders chose these offenses because they are serious crimes, they occur with regularity in all areas of the country, and they are likely to be reported to police. NOTE: The below listed Part I crimes do not reflect the hierarchy rule that the State of Illinois requires. The below statistics are a total of all offenses that occurred in the City of DeKalb. (The hierarchy rule is applied when two or more offenses occur and only the most serious offense is reported.)

	2010	2011	2012	% CHANGE (2011-2012)
HOMICIDE	1	1	0	-100%
*HOMICIDE-ATTEMPT	0	2	1	-50%
*HOMICIDE – DRUG INDUCED	1	1	2	100%
CRIMINAL SEXUAL ASSAULT	45	48	48	0%
ROBBERY	25	35	28	-20%
AGGRAVATED BATTERY/ASSAULT	127	141	137	-3%
BURGLARY	207	207	215	4%
THEFT	1043	1185	1081	-9%
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	20	26	24	-8%
ARSON	15	10	20	100%
TOTAL	1484	1656	1556	-6%

<sup>\*</sup>Attempted Homicides are reported as Aggravated Batteries to the Uniform Crime Report. Drug Induced Homicides are no longer reported to Uniform Crime Report. We have listed these offenses in our annual report as Part I Crimes due to the seriousness of the incident.

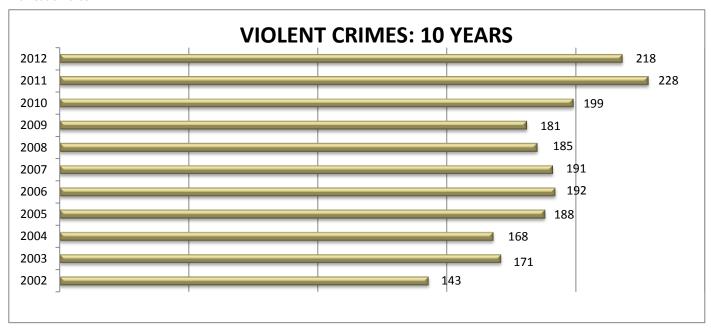
A change in UCR reporting also occurred with the offenses of Arson. Incidents having over \$150 damage or suspicious fires where possible suspects are observed are to be coded as Arsons.

# PART II CRIMES

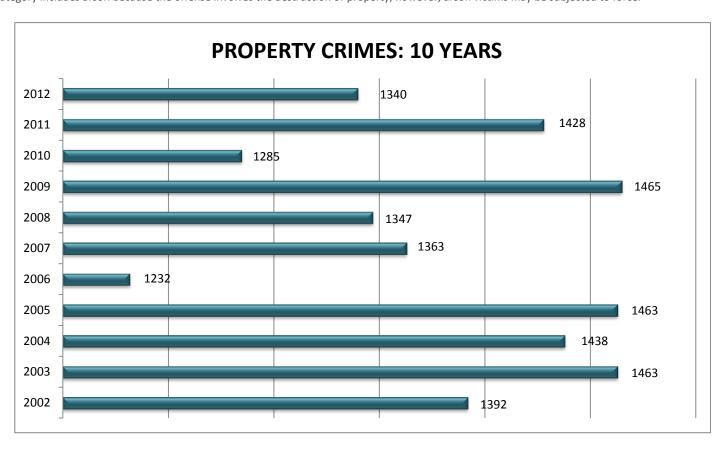
	2010	2011	2012	%CHANGE ( <b>201</b> 1-2012)
BATTERY	606	604	605	0%
DECEPTION	395	446	576	29%
CRIMINAL DAMAGE & TRESPASS	902	920	943	3%
DEADLY WEAPONS	38	36	38	6%
SEX OFFENSES	22	39	54	38%
OFFENSES INVOLVING CHILDREN	102	104	122	17%
CANNABIS CONTROL	241	286	333	16%
*METHAMPHETAMINE OFFENSES	0	0	2	N/A
HYPODERMIC SYRINGES & NEEDLES ACT	1	11	4	-64%
DRUG PARAPHERNALIA	124	163	217	33%
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ACT	83	108	72	-33%
LIQUOR CONTROL VIOLATIONS	482	427	327	-23%
MAJOR MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSE	4258	3286	3672	12%
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	730	753	833	11%
INTERFERE W/POLICE OFFICER	144	149	185	24%
INTIMIDATION	4	6	11	83%
KIDNAPPING (Includes unlawful visitation offenses)	106	135	79	-41%
VIOLATION OF REGISTRY LAWS	4	7	21	200%
OTHER CRIMINAL OFFENSES	575	595	646	9%
TOTAL	8817	8076	8740	8%

### **VIOLENT and PROPERTY CRIME TRENDS**

In the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program, violent crime is composed of four offenses: murder and nonnegligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault. Violent crimes are defined in the UCR Program as those offenses which involve force or threat of force.



In the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program, property crime includes the offenses of burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson. The object of the theft-type offenses is the taking of money or property, but there is no force or threat of force against the victims. The property crime category includes arson because the offense involves the destruction of property; however, arson victims may be subjected to force.



2012 Notes of Interest...

In 2012 the NIU
Police Department
assisted the
department with
1,667 calls.

The NIU Police
Department assigns
between 5 to 9
officers per night in
Zone 1 from 7:00 p.m.
to 7:00 a.m.

There was an 11% increase in assault/batteries against a police officer from 2011.

There was a 23% increase in resisting and obstructing offenses compared to 2011. In 2012 there were 184 compared to 149 in 2011.

Other agencies handled 58 of our calls due to excessive call volume.

A total of \$419,176 was spent in overtime by the department.

In 2012 there was a 12% increase in "walk-in" citizens requesting police assistance.

There was a 12% increase in officer initiated calls in 2012.

	<b>Public Services</b>	
<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>% CHANGE</u>
9371	10,482	12%

Drug Offenses				
<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	% CHANGE		
574	628	9%		

Offenses Involving Weapons or Implied				
<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>% CHANGE</u>		
213	313	47%		

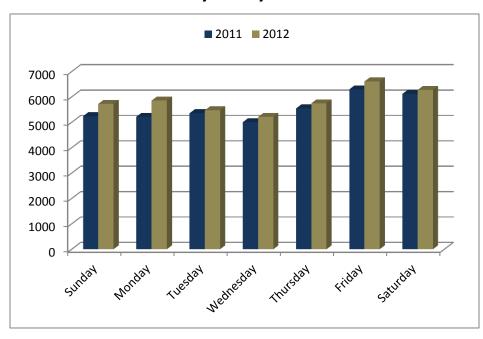
Total Calls for Service					
<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	% CHANGE			
38,803	40,908	5%			

Assaults Against Police Officers			
<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>% CHANGE</u>	
18	20	11%	

<sup>\*</sup>This does not include officers injured in the line of duty.

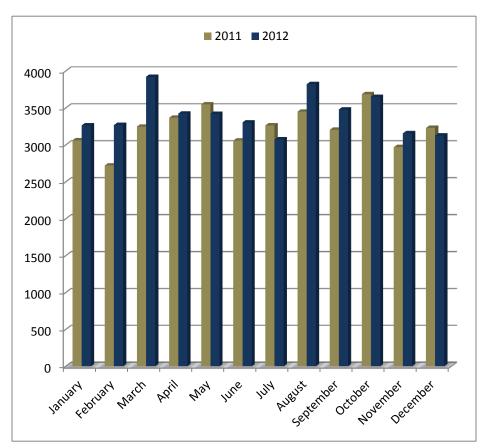
# Incidents By Day of Week

Sunday	<b>2011</b> 5244	<b>2012</b> 5727	<b>% CHANGE</b> 9%
Monday	5220	5856	12%
Tuesday	5360	5474	2%
Wednesday	5009	5212	4%
Thursday	5549	5751	4%
Friday	6298	6611	5%
Saturday	6123	6277	3%
TOTAL	38803	40908	5%



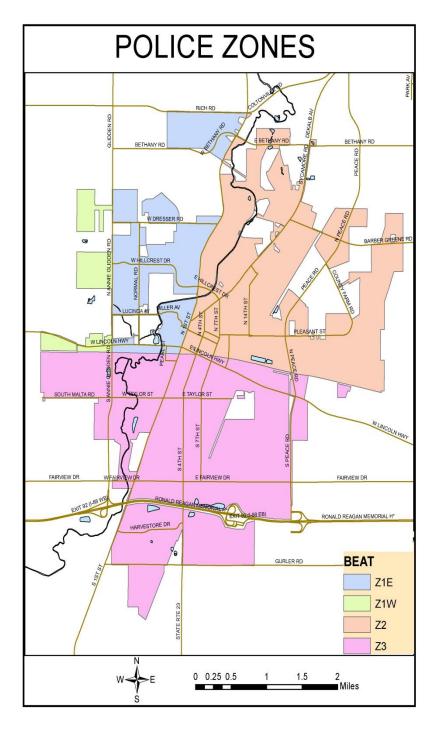
#### 2011 2012 % CHANGE January 3064 3265 7% February 2721 3268 20% March 3247 3922 21% 2% April 3366 3423 3547 -4% May 3421 3059 3304 8% June -6% July 3264 3073 August 3449 3821 11% September 3203 3479 9% October 3685 -1% 3650 November 2969 3157 6% December 3229 3125 -3% **TOTAL** 38803 40908 5%

# Incidents By Month

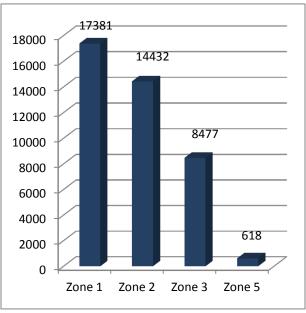


# **Response Times**

Response Time Intervals	Number of Calls
00-10 Minutes	35,977
10-20+ Minutes	3698
On Scene N/A	1233



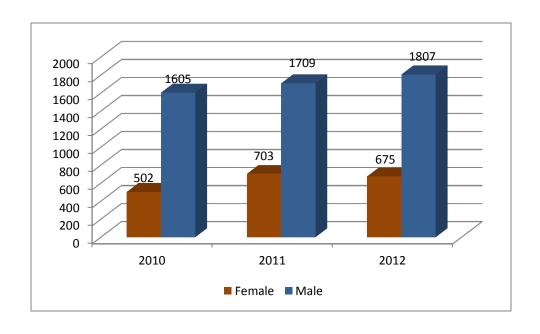
## **CALLS BY ZONE**



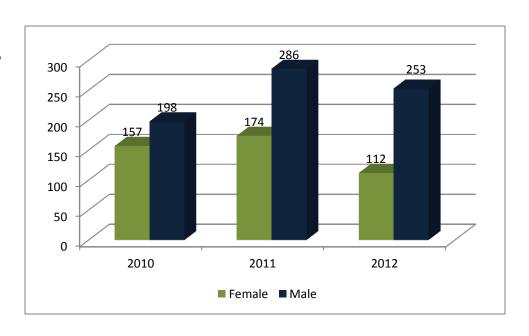
Zone 5 represents calls for service handled outside of the city limits.

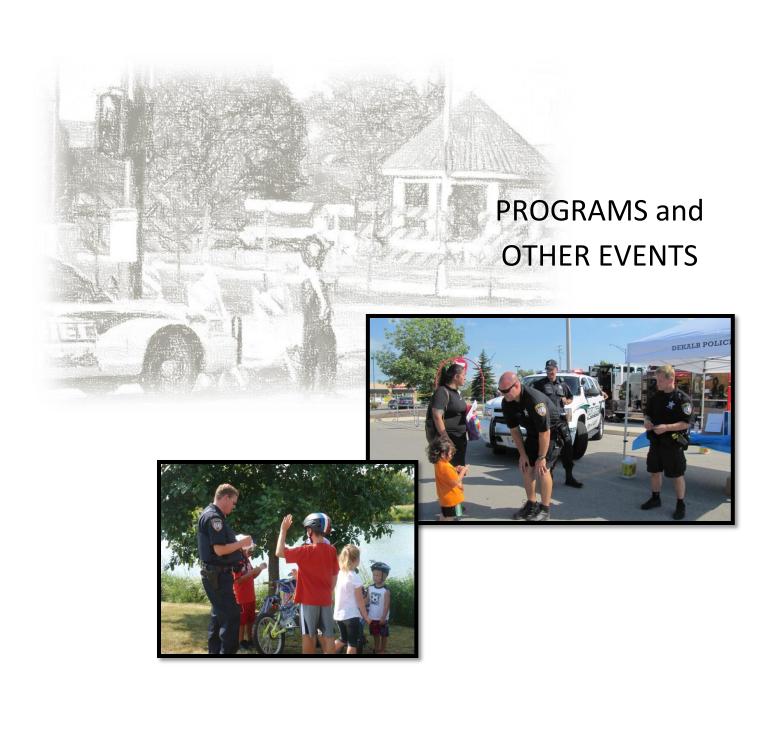
# **Arrest Information**

### **TOTAL ADULT ARRESTS**



#### **TOTAL JUVENILE ARRESTS**





#### CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY SEAT

The DeKalb Police Department started the Child Passenger Safety Seat program in the summer of 2001. Seven DeKalb officers are nationally certified Child Passenger Safety Seat Technicians. They are available to assist citizens in answering any questions they may have, as well as making sure:

- the child passenger seat is installed correctly;
- it has not been recalled;
- it meets safety standards;
- it is correct for your child.

In order to be certified, Officers must attend a 32-hour class given by the NHTSA (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration) certified instructors. The training covered topics such as injury prevention, crash dynamics, federal safety standards, vehicle occupant protection systems, and the correct installation of child restraint systems.

During the year there was safety checkpoints conducted at various locations in DeKalb and throughout DeKalb County that the officers assisted with. The police department installed 96 car seats in 2012. IDOT has provided us a mini-grant to assist in paying for recertification of officers and safety checkpoints.

#### **HONOR GUARD**

The DeKalb Police Department Honor Guard was formed in 1996 for the dedication of Moudy Park. The Honor Guard continues to participate in the Moudy Park ceremony annually.

The Honor Guard participates in other events as well. They have been in parades, Mayoral Inaugurations, and at funerals. Members of the Honor Guard are also members of a multijurisdictional color guard made up of officers from the DeKalb County Sheriff's Department, NIU Police Department and Sycamore Police Department.

#### **HUNTER SAFETY**

The DeKalb Police Department, in conjunction with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, hosts an annual hunter safety

course. This is a 10-hour class, broken down into three mandatory sessions – with a written exam at the end of the third session. Upon completion of the written test, students take part in a supervised shoot at the indoor range in the DeKalb Police Department. There is no age limit to participate in the class but reading is required. The

class covers a broad range of topics including firearms, hunter ethics, survival techniques, first aid, and of course, a strong emphasis on hunter safety. An Illinois State Conservation officer also speaks to the class about hunting regulations and updates in the State Conservation law.

#### NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

National Night Out is "America's Night Out Against Crime." The 28th annual National Night Out (NNO), a community education event sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW), was held on August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

In 2011, the National Night Out campaign involved citizens, civic groups, neighborhood groups, local businesses and members from police and fire departments from over 15,000 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases worldwide.



The event was held at the Target store of DeKalb. The departments involved were the DeKalb Police Department, DeKalb County Sheriff's Department, Sycamore Police Department, Cortland Police Department, Northern Illinois University Police Department, The DeKalb Fire Department and Cortland Fire Department.

There were several police and fire vehicles on display including fire trucks, squad cars, a police motorcycle, a police bicycle, and a mobile command center. Child safety seat technicians were on hand for car seat inspections. A car seat was given away thanks to a generous donation from Target of DeKalb. The police K-9 demonstrations by the DeKalb Police Department and DeKalb County Sheriff's Department were held throughout the event. Water, soda, cotton candy, hot dogs and other various food items were donated by Target and local vendors. Worldwide, over 37 million people participated in National Night Out 2012.

#### **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH**

The Neighborhood Watch program works by showing residents they are not powerless against crime. It does this through crime-prevention training, victim assistance, citizen patrols, phone trees and improving the overall condition of their neighborhood.

One of the main purposes of the neighborhood watch group is to get to know your neighbors. Neighborhood Watch groups do this by holding meetings, block parties, cookouts, etc. Officers often come to these meetings to speak about preventive measures residents can take to remain safe.

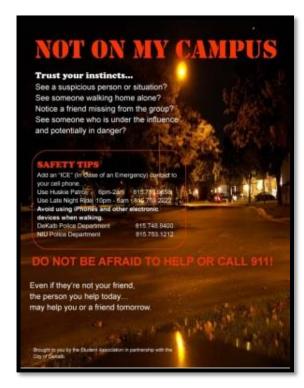
Residents observe their neighborhood for suspicious activity and report it to the police department. After reporting the activity to the police department, residents are encouraged to utilize the phone tree they set up to spread the information to other members of their group.

#### NOT ON MY CAMPUS

The Northern Illinois University and Kishwaukee College Student Associations and DeKalb Police are working together to help make the campus and community a safer place. The program encourages accountability, responsibility, situational awareness and supporting one another.

"Not on My Campus" is committed to ensuring that individuals have a place for a positive voice to support all those who have been victims of intolerance and to encourage those who have committed these acts to join us in taking a personal pledge to end intolerance and crime on our campus.

Fliers were distributed giving safety tips, along with phone numbers for Huskie Patrol, Late Nite Ride service, along with NIU and DeKalb Police Departments phone numbers.



#### RESIDENT OFFICER PROGRAM

The DeKalb Police Department in partnership with the Housing Authority of the County of DeKalb initiated a resident officer program at Lewis Court Apartments. The program, approved by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), has been successful at other HUD properties across the country.

The "resident officer program" started in November 2004, which allows the officer to live at the complex rent free, paying only utilities. The officer is also provided with a take-home squad car to increase police visibility not only at the complex but in the surrounding Pleasant Street/Lewis Street neighborhoods.



The goal of the resident officer program is to integrate into the neighborhood not only as a police officer but as a community member. Children in the neighborhood will have an excellent role model and mentor to help influence their development in positive ways. It is our desire that neighbors in need of law enforcement support will view the officer as a neighbor who is approachable and available to assist with their law enforcement and quality of life needs.

This year this the program expanded in May a home was purchased in the targeted neighborhood, the home was converted from a duplex to a single

family residence, and in October Officer Jared Burke and his family moved in. The Resident Officer will work as a liaison between the fire department and other city department on topics such as fire safety issues and code violations. Officer Burke will also work with social service agencies, Neighborhood Watch and other programs to empower his neighbors. He will also be involved with Littlejohn Elementary School to work with school officials. The goal is to reduce crime and enhance the quality of life of the neighborhood, which is bordered by 14th Street, the Union Pacific railroad, Fourth Street/Sycamore Road and East Dresser Road.

#### T.I.P.S.

In November 2003 the police department was approached by the Ben Gordon Mental Health Center regarding a grant they received from the Department of Juvenile Justice. The grant was to be used in an effort to curb alcohol related incidents involving underage violators.

The department elected to implement four types of compliance checks:

- <u>Standard Bar Check</u>. Uniformed officers enter an establishment and conduct identification checks in an effort to locate underage violators.
  - <u>Standard Business Check</u>. Through the use of underage cooperating individuals, who possess an underage state identification card, compliance checks are conducted to determine if a business is selling alcoholic liquor to minors.
  - <u>Shoulder Taps</u>. Underage agents set up outside an establishment and attempt to have patrons buy alcohol for them.
  - <u>Street Sweeps</u>. Officers patrol streets with a high volume of foot traffic looking for open container violations, as well as possession/consumption of alcohol by minors.

In 2012 alcohol enforcement continued to be a priority for the department. One of the continued goals of our department and the city is to train the establishments in our city on the state and city liquor laws and ordinances and to seek higher levels of voluntary compliance.

#### TOBACCO COMPLIANCE

Being concerned with the instances of underage smoking, the City of DeKalb Police Department has performed tobacco compliance checks when possible for many years with enforcement stepping up. With grant monies disbursed through the Illinois Liquor Control Commission three operations were performed resulting in 15 arrests 2012. The program called for DeKalb police officers to visit with all tobacco licensees in the City. The businesses were advised the police would be checking tobacco sales compliance throughout the year. They were given a packet of information on how to prevent the sales to minors and explanations of the law. On follow-up visits they were given posters to hang up and pins to wear letting customers know that the tobacco licensees would be checking identification for age before a tobacco sale. Using minors 15 to 17 years of age, the businesses were checked three times throughout the year to make sure they complied with laws prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to minors. Enforcement practices have been successful keeping the compliance rate at above 90% for the past two years.



# **OTHER EVENTS**

BIKING WITH BEANZIE is a recreational ride presented by Kishwaukee Kiwanis Club of DeKalb and sponsored by Kishwaukee Community Hospital. This is a "family" event that promotes fitness and family fun. Profits from this ride go to support the Kishwaukee Bike Pathway Projects and other projects within DeKalb County. Biking with Beanzie partners with Live Healthy DeKalb County initiative to help promote a healthier lifestyle within DeKalb County. DeKalb Police provided traffic control at various intersections for this event.

DeKalb and NIU officers worked together in providing security and traffic control during the KISHWAUKEE FEST parade in in July.





Officer Reynolds passing out American flags to children during JULY 4<sup>th</sup> festivities.

## **BUILDING A NEW POLICE FACILITY**

On September 10th, 2012 a ground breaking ceremony occurred for the construction of a new police facility that will be located at 700 W. Lincoln Highway. The site was chosen so it would be visible to the community and close to where the majority of the calls for service are received.

A new police department was needed to replace a dramatically undersized and out dated facility. Unfortunately, the City was confronted with financial constraints and this project was put on hold for quite some time.

Architects PSA Dewberry, Irving Construction and members of the DeKalb Police Department worked together in designing this facility with a budget of \$12 million dollars.

The end result will be an approximately 36,000 square foot building with the first floor housing the communications center, records division, patrol division, adult and juvenile detention centers, property and evidence processing and storage, roll call room, locker rooms, along with a break room and work out facility. The second floor will house the administration division, investigation division, and a training room.

The projected completion and move in will the fall of 2013.



The building's exterior is designed to relate to the neighborhood, with a palette of brick, precast concrete, metal panels, and glass.



Retired Chief Bill Feithen, Chief Administrator Ron Pearson and Chief Gene Lowery participated in the ground breaking ceremony on September 10, 2012. All three of them participated in the planning of the new police facility.



Several trees were cleared to make room for the new police facility. One oak tree was saved and will be a focal point in the "back yard." The lumber from the trees were saved with hopes to construct art pieces for the new department.

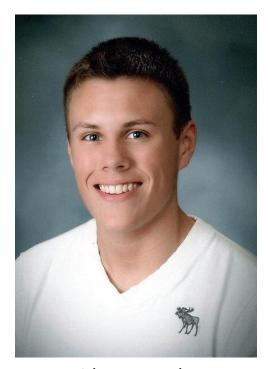


Heavy equipment, tile work laid, footings poured – all in the start of constructing the new police facility.





# In Memory of



David R. Bogenberger October 6<sup>th</sup>, 1993 to November 2, 2012

Northern Illinois University freshman David Bogenberger died on November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012, in an alcohol-related fraternity hazing incident.

Nothing can ever take away the love a heart holds dear. Fond memories linger every day; Remembrance keeps him near.