# Responding Challenge



## Governor's Message





**Governor Sam Brownback** 

Dear Colonel Garcia,

The year 2011 was a whirlwind year I know, for both you and me. With my first year in office completed, it is rewarding to reflect on all that our state agencies accomplished. The Kansas Highway Patrol's work in 2011 was impressive. The agency worked quietly to accomplish their mission and goals, making Kansas a safer place for all of us who travel the state's highways and byways. The year had its share of challenges, but the Patrol handled everything with the highest level of professionalism and assisted with whatever was needed.

One major challenge of 2011 was budgetary limitations. This affected all of our state agencies. The Kansas Highway Patrol did its part to help keep Kansas fiscally responsible, by only filling vital positions and finding other cost effective ways of doing business.

The year also brought numerous inclement weather and disaster situations. Each time the citizens of Kansas could rely on the Kansas Highway Patrol to do its part by sending necessary personnel to the affected areas. Kansas troopers were there following the tornado in Reading. They worked flooding in the northeast area of the state. When fires from dry conditions occurred in central and western Kansas, your troopers safe guarded the roads to keep citizens safe while monitoring the fire from the ground and from the air.

I was happy to see the Patrol apply and receive a much needed hiring grant, which allowed it to hire 18 troopers who began training in January 2012. This will help with coverage in our communities and manpower on our Kansas highways. During the application phase for that recruiting class, the Patrol received its highest number of applicants in quite some time. This speaks volumes of your agency.

I thank you for your commitment to the citizens of Kansas. Keep up the good work.

Be safe,

Governor Sam Brownback

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Colonel Ernest E. Garcia, Superintendent

Dear Governor Brownback,

First, I want to thank you for the unique opportunity to lead the Kansas Highway Patrol. Since my arrival in early 2011, I've learned much about the agency. This past year, I also availed myself to the training and classroom instruction offered by our most capable Academy instructors to learn about the many aspects of the Patrol. Throughout the agency, I have found personnel who are dedicated and committed to fair and professional law enforcement in our great State of Kansas.

This past year, I had numerous opportunities to speak to leaders of other agencies throughout the state. In these conversations, I have become aware of the significant reliance on our resources, and on our assistance in responding to a variety of calls.

I am proud to provide you a sampling of the outstanding law enforcement activity performed by the men and women of the Kansas Highway Patrol in 2011. Troopers, Capitol Police officers, and motor carrier inspectors worked tirelessly to keep Kansas roads safe. Officers arrested 2,355 impaired drivers, issued 2,110 child restraint violations, and recovered 165 stolen vehicles. Motorist assist personnel, as well as officers, spent 25,355 hours assisting 112,652 motorists who needed help on Kansas highways. Overall, KHP's officers spent 531,668 hours patrolling 11,724,027 miles. Governor, in my humble opinion, I have found that the agency quietly goes about fulfilling its statewide mission, 24/7, 365 days a year, with little fanfare.

Governor, I firmly believe that your Kansas Highway Patrol provides the citizens of Kansas, as well as our partnering agencies, Service, Courtesy, and Protection, they have come to expect from the Patrol. On behalf of the men and women of the Kansas Highway Patrol, I thank you for your support of our agency.



Colonel Ernest E. Garcia, Superintendent



Lieutenant Colonel Alan Stoecklein,

Assistant Superintendent

#### Lieutenant Colonel Alan Stoecklein

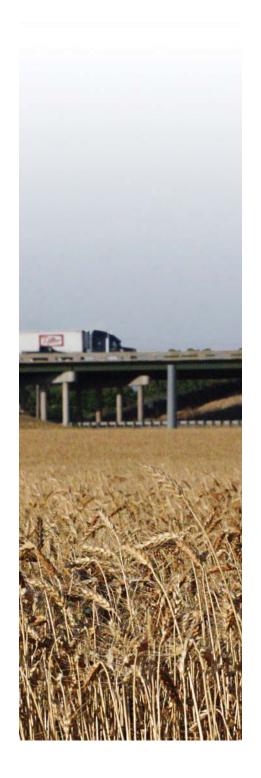
Lieutenant Colonel Alan Stoecklein was promoted to his role as Assistant Superintendent of the Kansas Highway Patrol in January 2011.

Lieutenant Colonel Stoecklein joined the Patrol in 1980 and was assigned to Lakin. He was promoted to sergeant in June of 1987, and transferred to Hutchinson. In 2000, he was promoted to captain of Troop F. In March 2008, he was promoted to major of the West Region.

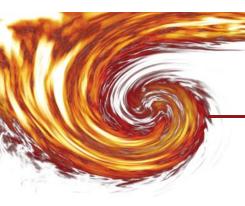
During his career with the Patrol, Lieutenant Colonel Stoecklein has served as a field training officer and was a recruit class counselor. He is a charter member of the Reno County DUI Victim Panel and has held numerous positions on the board the past 17 years. He graduated from the KU Certified Public Manager Course in 2003.

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## Mission and Goals

#### **OUR MISSION**

The Kansas Highway Patrol is devoted to improving quality of life through spirited and dedicated service. We pledge to be responsive to concerns of citizens and public safety partners. We will do this by providing professional law enforcement services and share resources in the most effective and efficient manner possible.

We believe in treating all persons with courtesy and respect. The preservation of individual dignity and constitutional rights is paramount in performing our duties. Protecting the rights of co-workers and providing a safe, secure working environment is of equal importance.

We are committed to providing protection of life and property through active enforcement of traffic, criminal, and other laws of the State of Kansas, and by supporting Homeland Security initiatives. We recognize our responsibility to uphold and enforce this authority in a competent, fair, and honest manner.

#### **OUR GOALS**

Consistent with the Patrol's mission and principal function, we will strive to attain the following goals:

- To reduce the number and severity of traffic crashes through the enforcement of impaired driving and occupant protection laws.
- The Patrol will promote the use of child restraints and safety belts through aggressive enforcement and educational programs.
  - The Patrol will deter motorists from driving impaired and will arrest impaired drivers through proven DUI countermeasures, such as selective enforcement efforts and sobriety check lanes.
- To vigorously pursue, apprehend, and prosecute those who utilize Kansas highways for criminal activities.
- To improve the quality of our service and enforcement activities by developing programs and incorporating technologies that enhance public safety.
  - To enhance public relations through local community involvement in schools, civic organizations, and businesses.

## **Our Challenges**



The Kansas Highway Patrol is a premier law enforcement agency. With nearly 75 years of service to the travelers of Kansas, in 2011 the Patrol was faced with many challenges. But, by adapting to these varying situations, the Patrol responded, faced the challenge head on, and ultimately carried on the tradition of Service, Courtesy, and Protection to those in our state.

#### Manpower

Facing fiscal challenges and many retirements in 2011, the Patrol found its manpower could be facing a critical level. Due to fiscal constraints, no recruit class went through the Training Academy during the year. Applications were opened in late summer to hire a recruit class that would begin in 2012, however this was done in conjunction with partial grant funding. Excited about this new class, the Patrol embraced its social media to get the message out, and received the highest number of applications it had received in recent years. This was all done

on an expedited hiring time

frame as well, having only a six month hiring time line, rather than the year it has taken in the past. A retirement incentive was offered to civilian state employees in the fall, and 25 employees took advantage of the chance to retire early. This left vacancies in many departments, but KHP evaluated the priorities, hired back critical positions, and cross-trained others to cover some of the functions performed by those who retired.

#### Weather

Kansas weather ran the gamut from a tornado in Reading, to dry conditions and fires. Northeastern Kansas experienced extreme flooding due to water being released from a dam in the northern United States. Officers helped close roads during the fires and flooding, keeping Kansas travelers safe. Aircraft troopers monitored the fires from overhead, helping direct those fighting the fires. The Patrol's Emergency Operations section was heavily involved in several of the critical weather events that affected Kansans.

#### Local agency support

The Patrol prides itself in providing services to those local agencies that do not have certain capabilities, or as a way to augment the programs/specialties that they do have. KHP troopers and other officers provide backup during car stops and other calls for service. The Special Response Team (SRT), Hazardous Devices Unit (HDU), and K9s provide highly technical help to departments when they have events such as a bomb threat, barricaded subject, or hostage situation, among other scenarios. The Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP) officers and inspectors can offer a closer look and have more training should there be a major accident involving a commercial vehicle. The Critical Highway Accident Response Team (CHART) helps to map scenes, and do reconstructions at major instances, such as multiple fatality accidents, or at a murder scene. Capitol Police provide critical safety measures around the downtown Topeka area and Capitol complex, as well as at other facilities in the city.



## **Community Outreach**

**Special Partnerships** 

KHP enjoys many great partnerships many of which benefit the citizens of Kansas. Here are a couple of our special partners that annually help further safety on Kansas roads.



Annually, the Kansas Motor Carriers Association (KMCA) has donated child passenger safety seats to the Patrol, in conjunction with Child Passenger Safety Week and Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day. In 2011, KMCA donated 105 child passenger safety seats for the Patrol to distribute to children in need.



The Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association (PMCA) of Kansas donated fuel for the Patrol to use as part of the 21st annual Holiday Highway Safety Program. The fuel is used during the Christmas and New Year's holidays. In 2011, vouchers were provided for 97 tanks of fuel.

Throughout the year, members of the Kansas Highway Patrol participate in many efforts reaching out to the communities in which we serve. Here is a glimpse at just a few of those activities.

#### **Project Topeka**

Every February, agencies in Topeka become active with the Project Topeka fund drive. GHQ personnel participated in 2011 with a gift basket auction, bake sale, and other events, raising \$1,293.90 for emergency food distribution.

#### C.A.S.T. for kids

On June 18, the sixth annual C.A.S.T. (Catch A Special Thrill) for Kids event was held at the Harvey County East Lake near Newton. There were 39 young disabled or disadvantaged kids in attendance who troopers helped go fishing. A lunch was provided to kids, their families, and volunteers. Awards were presented, and other agencies had personnel who assisted.

#### Touch a Truck

In October, Troop D troopers assisted with the Sherman County Touch a Truck event. Many large trucks, emergency service vehicles, and construction equipment were on display for exploration by kids of all ages. Proceeds went to Genesis and Toys 4 Tots.

#### School Bus Rodeo Prep.

Troopers in Troop E helped USD 457 in Holcomb with a school bus rodeo to prepare for the state competition. Troopers served as judges for the 16 drivers who were evaluated in a driving obstacle course.

#### Girls on the Run

In the fall, a trooper volunteered with the "Girls on the Run" program, which is presented by the YWCA. She served as a mentor for the girls involved in the program, which is a non-profit for girls in third through eight grades. The mission is to inspire girls to be joyful, healthy, and confident using fun, experience-based curriculum which creatively integrates running.

## Take our Youth Shopping/Cops & Kids

In December, KHP troopers from Troop B joined other Lawrence and Douglas County law enforcement in the TOYS (Take Our Youth Shopping) event, set up by Ballard Community Services. Thirty officers met 37 kids, ages three to six, for breakfast and shopping. Another event involving Troop B troopers was "Cops and Kids," which was held with Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Topeka. Officers helped kids shop, wrap gifts, and enjoy refreshments.

#### Trooper Michael Newton Toy Drive

Around Christmas, Troop A troopers, along with the Missouri State Highway Patrol, delivered toys to hospitalized children at the Ronald McDonald House in Kansas City, and at KU Med, as part of the Trooper Michael Newton Toy Drive.

## **Troop Locations**

# SPECIAL OPERATIONS

# Major John Eichkorn

Major Jason De Vore

Troop C Troop D

Troop F Troop E

**WEST REGION** 

Froop K - Capitol Police

Froop M - Central Communications/CJIS

**Troop N-Special Operations** Froop T- Aircraft Operations

**Emergency Operations Homeland Security** Froop S - SRT, Canine & HDU

# SUPPORT SERVICES

## Major Mark Bruce

Public and Governmental Affairs Troop J - Training Academy Fleet Operations

Human Resources

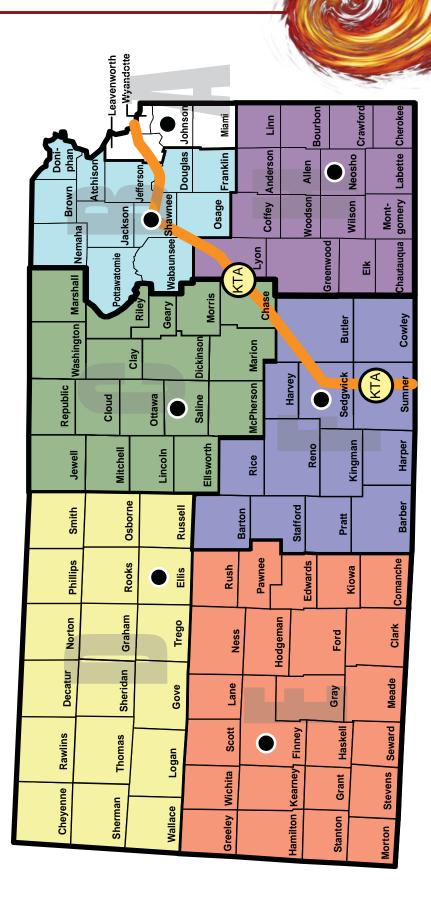
## **EAST REGION**

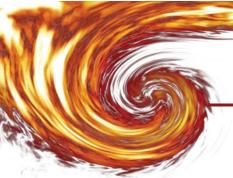
## Major Mark Goodloe

Troop A

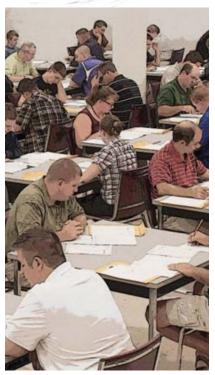
Troop B Troop G - Kansas Turnpike Troop H

Froop I - MCSAP.CHART.MCI





## Recruitment



Mid-year 2011, the Patrol began work to hire KHP Recruit Class #50. The hiring process was underway after the Patrol applied for and received notification that they were awarded a grant, which would allow the funding of a recruit trooper class.

Prior to the economic issues that affected the nation in the latter 2000s, the Patrol has typically trained two recruit trooper classes per year. The last class to graduate from the KHP Training Academy graduated in August of 2010, and was the first class to be trained since December of 2008. Due to retirements and promotions, the vacancies were being felt by those troopers who work the road. The Patrol prides itself in the assistance we offer to local agencies. Hiring these additional troopers not only enhances our ability to assist other agencies, but provides much needed law enforcement coverage throughout the state.

Due to the grant funding and timeline an expedited hiring process was utilized, with 18 people being hired for the class in a 6-7 month time frame, rather than the 12 months it had taken prior classes to be hired. The application phase ran from June 24-July 29. During this time frame, the Kansas Highway Patrol ran employment ads and information on the Patrol's website, and also utilized new ways of recruiting, including issuing a media release, and using social media to get the word out to the public. The Patrol received 534 applications for the class, which was a very large number considering the shortened application period. It was also the highest number of applications received in several years.

#### RECRUIT CLASS #50 TIMELINE

#### Application Process 6-7 months

Application Window
Polygraph Exam
Background Investigation
Interview
Physical Agility Test
Physical Exam
Psych. Test, Etc.

#### **Academy Training**

23 weeks

(10-20 recruits per class)

**Field Training** 

70 days

Troopers released from training

Applicants went through an extensive hiring process, including a written examination, physical agility test, polygraph exam, background investigation, interview, physical examination, and psychiatric test. Upon successful completion of these steps, final employment offers were made, and the class reported to the Training Academy on January 4, 2012, for 23 weeks of training.

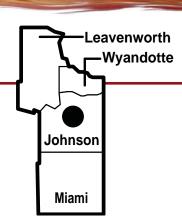
The new troopers were hired thanks to a grant through the Kansas Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (KCJCC) under the Federal Edward J. Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG). The Governor's Grants Program provides the administrative oversight for the grant program, which administers funds to organizations that aim to enhance the criminal justice system; improve public safety; support crime victim services; and for drug and violence prevention programs.

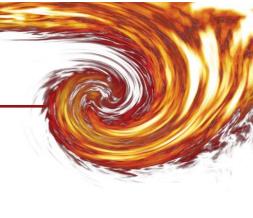
The Patrol received nice feedback from the public regarding this hiring class, and the KHP family embraced these new members.

## Troop A

#### **Kansas City Metro Area**

Commander: Captain Dek Kruger Headquartered in Olathe 1,668 miles to patrol





## 246 calls for service in24-hour period

January 19, the metro area received a winter blast of over eight inches of snow, with high winds and major drifting across the roadways. Blizzard conditions existed for much of the area, with near white-out visibility. Troop A received 246 calls for service, and worked 31 accidents during a 24-hour period.

## One day brings three major incidents

On June 4 preparations were underway to handle traffic control at the annual June NASCAR races at the Kansas Speedway. A protest, staged by advocates for Bradley Manning (Wiki-leaks), in Leavenworth County and a major train derailment in Miami County required the realignment of manpower. All available assistance was sent to support local Leavenworth units, and six troopers were dispatched to Miami County. With help from neighboring troops, all incidents were handled without any issues.

#### **Bus on Shoulder training**

In December, both troopers and motorist assist technicians participated in Bus on Shoulder training. Johnson County Public Transit drivers are allowed to drive buses on the I-35 shoulder in an effort to encourage public transport utilization and to improve traffic flow. Hopefully this project will have many advantages in providing better service, safety, and convenience for the metro communities.

## Restaurant's missing cash located

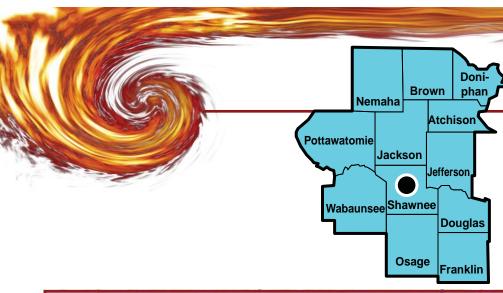
In October, a driver fled when a trooper attempted to stop her, then abandoned her vehicle outside an apartment complex. A search of the vehicle yielded crystal meth, several bags of cash, and deposit slips from a local restaurant. The restaurant manager later contacted police regarding currency taken from the business and never deposited by one of their employees, who had also failed to return to work. The driver of the vehicle was found to be the employee. She had abandoned her job and never deposited the cash.



## Presidential security provided

President Barack Obama arrived in Kansas City on December 6 to give a speech at Osawatomie High School. Troop A developed and implemented a threepart security operations plan, working in conjunction with the U.S. Secret Service, the Miami County Sheriff's Department, and the Osawatomie Police Department. KHP Aircraft support was provided for the purposes of overview, and a secondary security detail traveled with the Presidential motorcade. The most critical assignment, motorcade route traffic control, utilized numerous troopers stationed along the travel path for safe movement and crowd control. No major incidents occurred during the visit.





## Troop B

#### **Northeast Kansas**

Commander: Captain Steve Zeller Headquartered in Topeka 7,243 miles to patrol



#### Stretch of I-70 closed twice in three days

Two separate incidents west of Topeka caused the same 25-mile stretch of I-70 to be closed during a three-day stretch in July.

On July 25, Junction City/Geary County Dispatch received a call from a man warning hazardous materials had been left in a Junction City motel room, and the FBI should be contacted. A description of the man and his truck were broadcast, and he was located by two troopers on I-70, around Carlson Road, just outside of Topeka. The subject was taken for questioning. For safety reasons, both west- and eastbound I-70 were closed as hazmat and bomb squads responded. The FBI said preliminary tests found no hazmat or explosives in the truck or hotel room. The driver was arrested on charges of Aggravated Criminal Threat.

On July 27, I-70 had its second major shutdown in three days, following a traffic stop at milepost 339. A trooper stopped a RV for weaving. The driver made several statements about law enforcement, threatened suicide, then refused to speak to the trooper. Contact was made in the individual's home state, and it was discovered he had recently been released from jail on one DUI conviction, had another pending, and while not considered violent, possessed at least two handguns. Negotiators and the Special Response Team (SRT) attempted to make contact. When the suspect's behavior became more erratic, Wabaunsee County issued a warrant, and entry was made into the RV. The man was removed after a brief struggle and was taken to a Topeka hospital for minor injuries and exposure to the gas SRT used in the vehicle prior to entry.

#### Assistance provided during massive flooding

Throughout the summer during the Missouri River Flood, Troop B personnel assisted Elwood PD and Doniphan County with patrols of Elwood and US-36. Troopers also worked road closures and helped at the incident command center.

## Four-victim fatality plane crash investigated

On April 22 (the Friday before Easter) Troop B personnel worked a fatality plane crash in Jefferson County. A family of four from Scott City were enroute to visit family north of Topeka when their plane crashed. All four died in the crash. The accident scene covered more than two acres and was difficult to access amid wet and muddy conditions.

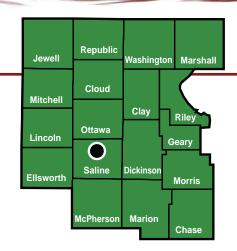
## Atchison PD assisted after sergeant killed

Troop B personnel assisted Atchison PD following the shooting and Line of Duty Death of Sergeant David Enzbrenner on December 9. KHP units joined officers from numerous other agencies in answering police calls for several days, allowing Atchison PD to deal with the details surrounding the loss of one of their own. Immediately following the shooting, KHP provided security at the scene, completed a forensic map for a diagram of the crime scene, and the following day, assisted with a secondary search of the crime scene with the KBI. During the candlelight vigil and visitation, KHP provided security and escorted the family. Honor Guard was present during the funeral. A flyover was coordinated with KHP Aircraft personnel.

## Troop C

#### **North Central Kansas**

Commander: Captain Thomas Witham Headquartered in Salina 13,521 miles to patrol





#### **Shooting near Delphos**

In October, troopers responded to Delphos to assist the Ottawa County Sheriff's Department in locating a suspicious person. Troopers saw the person walking along a wooded area southwest of Delphos, and converged on the area. They briefly had verbal contact with the person as he yelled at them from the woods. As troopers proceeded into the wooded area, they were met by gunfire. A trooper returned fire, fatally wounding the suspect. No injuries were reported to KHP personnel. KBI investigated the incident and cleared the trooper to return to work.

## Trooper thwarts home invasion

On December 14, a vehicle on US-50 in Florence passed a trooper, and as they went by, the occupants appeared nervous. The vehicle exited US-50 and drove into the town. The trooper lost sight of the car, but radioed the police chief to report the vehicle. Shortly thereafter, the trooper located the vehicle parked in front of the police chief's house, and an individual was standing on the front porch. When the trooper drove by, the person opened the front door and walked into the house. The trooper gave this information to the police chief, who quickly responded and arrested the individual.



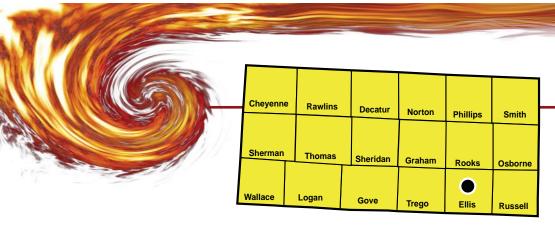
#### Country Stampede patrols result in arrests

June 23-26, the annual Country Stampede was held at Tuttle Creek State Park outside of Manhattan. Troop C personnel assisted with traffic control and DUI enforcement efforts. Saturation patrols were conducted the first three nights of the event, which resulted 12 DUI arrests, and 11 arrests for Transporting Open Containers. Only one alcohol-related crash was investigated during the event.

#### Suicidal man causes I-70 closure

A 20-year-old made contact with Riley County 911 in October, indicating that he was going to harm himself. The call had originated along I-70 near Manhattan. Shortly thereafter, a KHP trooper and Riley County officer located the caller's vehicle on the shoulder of I-70. As officers approached, the man called the dispatch center and advised there were chemicals in the vehicle, and

the officers needed to stay back unless they were in chemical suits. The officers moved to a safe location and had I-70 closed down from milepost 316-318. Numerous agencies responded to the scene, and negotiations were attempted for hours with no success. A robot was deployed to survey the vehicle, and it was determined the subject was unresponsive. Officers in chemical suits extricated the man, who was then taken to a medical facility, where he later died due to the chemical exposure.



## Troop D

#### **Northwest Kansas**

Commander: Captain Mike Murphy Headquartered in Hays 16,918 miles to patrol

#### AMBER Alert child found

In February, a trooper on I-70 near Oakley located a vehicle matching the description of one in an AMBER Alert issued by Topeka PD. The missing child was taken into protective custody. The driver and passenger were arrested.

#### Trooper shot during stop

A trooper stopped a vehicle January 29 on Old US-40, southeast of Hays. As the trooper approached, the suspected drunk driver exited the vehicle, raised a revolver, and fired, striking the trooper in the left shoulder. The trooper returned fire, taking cover behind his vehicle, and continued giving commands to the suspect. He notified both KHP and Hays PD dispatchers of the incident. Responding officers took the suspect into custody. The trooper recovered and returned to work in March, later being awarded the Purple Heart Award.

## Trooper's vehicle fired upon during pursuit

In January, a trooper checked a vehicle in the Sherman County rest area on I-70. The registration didn't match the vehicle. While talking to the trooper, the driver sped away. Early in the pursuit, the driver, intent on shooting the trooper, stopped to let the trooper approach. The pursuit continued when the trooper didn't

approach the vehicle. The passenger shot at the patrol car, with one round striking the windshield. The trooper continued, taking extra steps to warn and protect all officers involved. In one instance, he warned another trooper to seek cover as stopsticks were deployed. The suspects fired at, and struck, that trooper's vehicle. As the pursuit left the interstate, with the suspects driving toward a small town, the trooper returned fire through the damaged windshield, stopping their vehicle. Both suspects were taken into custody. The trooper was later awarded the Superintendent's Award for keeping law enforcement and citizens safe.

#### Murderer apprehended

A FBI Task Force in Colorado contacted the Patrol to help locate a murder suspect after a traced call placed him at a truck stop in Oakley. Several troopers and local units responded and located the vehicle, which was at the gas pumps. Utilizing the new Mobile Data Unit technology, troopers obtained pictures of the suspect, who was spotted outside the station. When troopers approached, he ran, but was taken into custody after a short foot pursuit.

## Counties implement SAFE

The Seatbelts Are For Everyone (SAFE) program was implemented in schools in Ellis, Graham, Logan, Rooks, Thomas,

and Trego counties. SAFE was created in Crawford County in 2008, when officers began visiting schools. They spent two weeks educating the students, followed by two weeks of high visibility enforcement. With students assisting, they hoped to increase voluntary compliance with seatbelt laws, saving lives at the same time. The teens sign pledge cards, and if they are not caught without a seatbelt, they are eligible to win a monthly drawing of prizes and gift cards. The program is run by a select group of students in each school.

One area high school went from a 32% seatbelt usage rate on the first day of SAFE, to 83% by the end of the school year. SAFE was implemented in other schools in 2012.

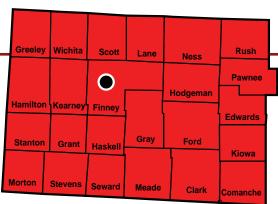
The following letter came from the father of student who is involved in the SAFE program, after she had been involved in a rollover crash.

"Thank you to the Kansas Highway Patrol for your efforts to educate and challenge the kids to commit to wearing their seatbelts. Since my daughter wore her's on April 23, 2011, it is a day that will only have a small asterisk next to it, rather than having an omnipresent gray cloud of grief attached to it."

## **Troop E**

#### **Southwest Kansas**

Commander: Captain Robert Maier Headquartered in Garden City 19,671 miles to patrol



#### Five suspected gang members/burglars arrested following chase

In January, a trooper attempted to stop a 2008 Ford Expedition, which had left a Spearville gas station without paying. The driver refused to stop and sped up to 100 mph. During the chase, the trooper saw the occupants toss something out. When the SUV entered the city limits of Dodge City, local units took over. The vehicle stopped on a Dodge City street, and the subjects fled on foot. All five subjects were suspected gang members and were arrested. A bolt cutter, a 32-inch TV, and other items taken during burglaries in Edwards County were found inside the vehicle. The item which had been thrown out was a Mossberg 12-gauge shotgun.

#### Triple-fatality investigated

On June 14, a trooper investigated a triple-fatality crash on K-4 in Rush County. A 2007 GMC truck and a John Deere

tractor with a front end loader were both westbound on K-4. As the tractor turned left into a field, the pickup attempted to pass on the left. The passenger side of the truck was struck by the left side of the tractor. The front end loader bucket ripped the roof off the pickup. The driver of the pickup was in critical condition and three passengers were killed. The tractor driver was also injured.

## Missing Alzheimer's subject located

While a search related to a separate incident was going on, a motor carrier inspector and trooper were contacted by a local citizen who said an older man seemed confused was trying to get into a car at a local restaurant. The two contacted the subject, and found he was listed in NCIC as a Missing Alzheimer's subject from Oklahoma City. His family was contacted and the officers took him to the sheriff's office to await his family's arrival.

#### KHP assists FBI

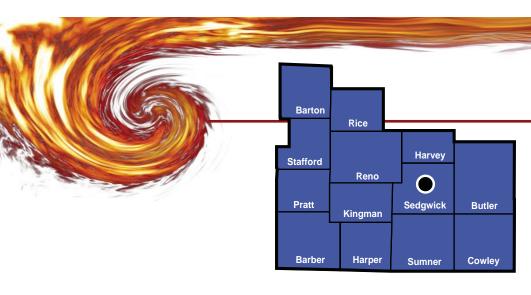
Four troopers assisted the Federal Bureau of Investigation in November with an ongoing investigation into a crime organization suspected of stealing loads of beef across the country. The organization was based out of Hollywood, California. After gathering information about possible individuals and the trucking company, a sting was set up to intercept them upon the possible theft of a trailer loaded with beef at a Garden City packing plant. Two trucks were located in the Garden City area, stopped by local troopers, and CMV inspections were done. It was discovered that these two individuals were also under surveillance by the Los Angeles Police Department as an organized crime unit responsible for the theft of millions of dollars in lost product from different companies. The investigation was ongoing, but it did help identify suspects and vehicles associated with the group.



A railroad trestle burns west of Satanta, KS.

#### Fires and high winds cause problems

High winds and wildfires were a major concern for southwest Kansas in April. Major fires burned many acres and destroyed houses, vehicles, farm equipment, and railroad property in Haskell, Stanton, and Greeley counties. The city of Satanta had to be evacuated when a fire got dangerously close to the community. Troopers were forced to close many sections of roadway when dense smoke made them impassable. High winds also contributed to a number of commercial vehicle rollovers



## Troop F

#### **South Central Kansas**

Commander: Captain Dennis Marten Headquartered in Wichita 7,243 miles to patrol

#### Bank robber caught

In September, a suspect robbed a bank in Arlington, KS, stole a teller's car, and was last seen northbound on K-61. A trooper on US-50 saw a pickup, when he made eye contact, the driver quickly looked away. The truck had no tag displayed, and when stopped, the driver acted very nervous, shaking uncontrollably, and sweating profusely. A blue bandana was observed in the back seat, which was what the robber wore to cover his face. When the driver exited the truck, the trooper discovered the driver had been sitting on bundles of money. A doublebarreled sawed off shotgun was found on the back floorboard. The driver was also a suspect in an attempted theft of a Hutchinson bank's ATM earlier in the day. The suspect plead guilty.

#### Assistance provided at Medicine Lodge Peace Treaty Pageant

During the Peace Treaty Pageant, held in Medicine Lodge, Troop F provided traffic control at several of the events (the pageant, parades, etc.), and also conducted traffic enforcement efforts. The Pageant was held September 23-25. Organizers indicated this historic event has been put on with mostly Barber County residents. The organizers said that 2011's Pageant will end one of the

longest-running re-enactments of the signing of a peace treaty between the Plains Indians and the U.S. Government. Organizers indicated the number of volunteers to put on the event every three years continued to dwindle, and the result will most likely cause this to be the end of the Medicine Lodge Peace Treaty Pageant. In past years, the Patrol has always maintained a presence at the Pageant.

## Law enforcement duties provided at Kansas State Fair

The Kansas State Fair was September 10–18. Annually KHP provides all law enforcement-related duties on the fairgrounds. The state fair receives 24-hour Patrol presence throughout the 10 days. Members respond to medical calls, lost children, motor vehicle crashes, conduct investigations, and provide security in the overnight hours.

## Troopers cordon unsafe area due to fire and explosion possibility

On August 2, several units responded north of Rose Hill in Butler County for a propane storage facility explosion and fire. The Patrol provided traffic control to keep people away from a restricted area, which was a square mile radius from the fire location, due to the possibility of further explosions of bulk propane storage tanks. Damage was extensive to the business and several homes and storage buildings in the area were destroyed. Patrol members were on scene for several hours.



#### Intelligent Traffic Systems added in the Wichita metro area

ITS (intelligent traffic systems) went into effect in the Wichita area in December 2011. These are large roadway electronic message boards and roadside cameras. The message boards allow a communications center to warn travelers of possible dangers, or incidents ahead. The cameras allow the communications centers to view incidents in the Wichita metro areas where they are currently installed. Communications personnel can alert responding agencies to what they are seeing and dispatch the appropriate equipment to the scene.

## Troop G



Commander: Captain Joseph Bott Headquartered in Wichita 236 miles to patrol



## Attempted murderer apprehended

In January, a trooper responded to an accident on the Turnpike. A vehicle struck the median wall, and was partially blocking the passing lane. The driver fled. Another trooper heard Wichita scanner traffic say they were looking for an armed suspect involved in an attempted murder case, in which a woman had been hit over the head with a hammer and was critically injured. The vehicle at the accident scene was suspected to be the same one from the attempted murder. The second trooper located the subject just past the K-96 toll plaza, held him at gunpoint until backup arrived, and he was taken into custody without incident.

#### Suicidal man saved

Dispatch received a call on June 12 of a possible suicidal subject on the 86th Street overpass of the Turnpike in Kansas City. Two troopers arrived and confirmed the man was attempting to jump. Both east and westbound traffic was stopped. A Kansas City, Kansas Police Department negotiator was unable to convince the subject to come in from the ledge. Eventually the subject placed himself on the ledge in a position that could be described as hanging on, as a KC PD officer held onto him by one ankle. A ladder truck came and rescued the man. He was taken to KU Med by EMS for evaluation.

## Suspect flees; threatens mother following day

A trooper had a short pursuit northbound on the Turnpike, starting south of Emporia after he clocked a vehicle at 89 mph. The vehicle wrecked six miles down the road, and the driver was transported to a hospital in Topeka. The next evening, the man's mom was taking him back to the Wichita area, when he threatened he had a bomb in the truck and could detonate it with his laptop computer. He also said he had a gun and would shoot his mother. She drove into the Matfield Green Service Area and called dispatch. The service area was evacuated, and troopers responded, but didn't find a bomb or gun. The suspect was taken to Emporia to be evaluated by a therapist, who concluded the subject did not need to be hospitalized. He was then transported to the Chase County Jail and booked for Aggravated Criminal Threat and Aggravated Assault.

#### Turnpike's Kansas River Bridge opened

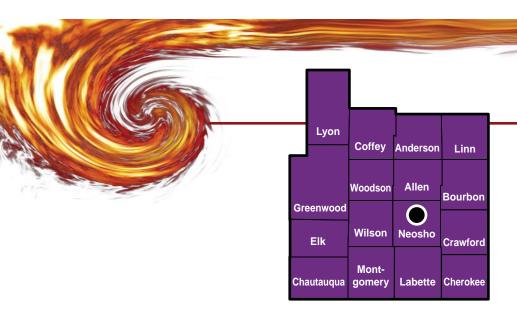
The Turnpike's Kansas River Bridge project was completed in October 2011. Troopers had spent the last three years dealing with major traffic issues due to the construction.

#### Citizens honored for heroic efforts

In August, Honorary Trooper Awards were presented to two young women who assisted with a fatality accident which occurred on the Turnpike in June 2011. Summer White and Michela Creel were honored for their heroic efforts in trying to save a woman involved in the crash. They had been on their way back to Oklahoma when they spotted a woman lying in the road, and pulled over to help. White tried to pull the woman from the roadway, but a U-Haul truck struck her, throwing her about 50 feet. She was knocked unconscious and was seriously injured. Despite their efforts, the woman they were trying to save died. For putting their own lives at risk, each earned the Honorary Trooper Award.



Michela Creel, left, and Summer White were presented with Honorary Trooper Awards from Kansas Highway Patrol Colonel Ernest E. Garcia.



## Troop H

#### **Southeast Kansas**

Commander: Captain Richard Wilson Headquartered in Chanute 7,243 miles to patrol

## Manhunt conducted for murder suspect

In May, Troop H assisted local law enforcement agencies with a ground search for an armed murder suspect who had fled from lowa. The suspect was spotted near the US-75 and K-58 junction in Coffey County. He fled into a wooded area. After an extensive search with ground units, aircraft, and KS, the suspect was located; however, before the suspect could be taken into custody, he fatally shot himself.

#### Fort Scott man named Honorary Trooper

On November 4, KHP presented an Honorary Trooper Award to Fort Scott resident Danny Graham for his life saving rescue after a traffic crash. In early September 2011, a General Transportation bus collided with a truck-tractor semi-trailer on K-3, near Uniontown. After impact, the bus caught fire. Graham witnessed the crash and entered the burning bus to carry the only survivor, who was trapped and had a broken leg, to safety.

## Traffic control provided while over 1,000 run in Mother Road Marathon

The second annual Mother Road Marathon route began in Commerce, OK, traveled the Old Route 66 through southeast Kansas, and finished in Joplin, MO in October. Troop H provided units to assist with traffic control along the route, while over 1,000 runners participated in the full-and half-marathons.

## US-169 closed for possible explosive device

On July 28, Anderson County requested Troop H assistance with scene security on US-169 after a possible explosive device on the dash of a pickup truck. A local law enforcement agency had stopped the pickup and believed the item was a live explosive. Troop H units responded to close US-169, and were on scene for more than over four hours in extreme heat, with air temperature near 100 degrees, and road surface temperatures exceeding 125 degrees. The device was removed and destroyed by an explosives team.

## Assistance provided following tornado



On May 21, units responded to the city of Reading after it was struck by a tornado. Reading received significant damage to nearly 200 structures, and primary roads in and out of town were closed due to debris. A trooper's residence and patrol car were destroyed in the storm. Troop H provided assistance to the citizens of Reading and Coffey County for the next five days.



## Troop I

Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP), Critical Highway Accident Response Team (CHART), Motor Carrier Inspectors (MCI)

Commander: Captain Chris Turner Headquartered in Topeka Statewide patrol



#### MCSAP/MCI merge

MCSAP and MCI units merged within Troop I to enhance the continuity of CMV (commercial motor vehicle) enforcement, to provide more efficient services, and to provide a singular direction in advancing CMV and large truck safety. The merger brought 53 motor carrier inspectors, both sworn officers and civilians, to Troop I. MCSAP can now concentrate enforcement efforts on size and weight laws, as well as Federal Safety Regulations.

#### **TOPS** conducted

The Trucks on Patrol for Safety (TOPS) program hit the highways for the fifth annual year. TOPS deploys every spring and summer, with a goal of raising awareness of the dangers when sharing the road with large trucks and CMVs. Traffic violators are stopped, and enforcement action and education efforts are made. Over the course of the past five years, accidents, and specifically large truck crashes, have been reduced and more lives have been saved across Kansas.

#### Troop I demonstrates at Lethal Weapon class

CHART conducted a live crash and accident reconstruction for the *Lethal Weapon* class, which was sponsored by the Kansas Attorney General's Office. The goal was to assist prosecutors and officers in developing their knowledge and skills related to vehicular homicide cases. Informational stations were set up for attendees, and included: Total Station/forensic mapping, crash data recorders, vehicle autopsy, occupant kinematics, skid tests, and yaw marks. A commercial vehicle inspection was conducted, with MCSAP personnel explaining and demonstrating the process. The Performance Based Brake Test machine (PBBT) was utilized to further explain the braking system of a CMV.



#### Personnel judge KMCA Truck Driving Championships

In June, Troop I personnel served as judges during the annual Kansas Motor Carriers Association's (KMCA) Kansas Professional Truck Driving Championships. Officers judge events such as driver interviews, skills tests, and vehicle inspections. The CMV drivers participating in the championships represent the finest in the industry. They are interviewed on their views regarding

safety and how regulations enhance driving behavior. Vehicle inspections are timed, and the drivers must locate violations staged by the judges. The final test of driver proficiency is a driving skills course, which tests situations they may encounter on the road. The written test and pre-trip violations are developed by Troop I personnel.



#### Teens and Trucks grant received

Troop I applied for a Teens and Trucks grant sponsored by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA). The grant will help the Patrol incorporate a safety program to educate young drivers on the dangers and special attention that needs to be taken when sharing the road with large trucks. Plans are to produce a new segment for the DVD, which incorporate driving situations more specific to Kansas, such as two lane roads and traveling around farm implements. The program was on display at Eisenhower High School in Sedgwick County in October. FMCSA Administrator Anne Ferro spoke with Eisenhower students during a program which included multiple state agencies, and she made a presentation to the Patrol to award the grant.



The following was sent after a MCSAP trooper helped a family:

"My family was traveling to a doctor's appointment when we were cut off by a truck-tractor semitrailer. My daughter was forced to the left shoulder, where the tire blew out. There was extremely heavy rush hour traffic, and we feared for our safety. A trooper walked up to the car and asked how he could help, and proceeded to change our tire, all while being reassuring to our family. The trooper was like an angel to our family."

## **Troop J**

#### Kansas Highway Patrol Training Academy Breath Alcohol Unit

Commander: Captain Dennis Gassman Headquartered in Salina

The Training Academy is the home for KHP trooper recruits. Applicants go through a hiring process that includes a written test; interviews; physical and psychological testing; polygraph exam; and a background investigation. Experienced instructors and coaches lead recruits through an extensive 22 weeks of law enforcement courses. Upon graduation, recruits begin field training.

The Academy hosts the American Legion's Cadet Law program. The Kansas Collegiate Law Enforcement program was developed by Troop J, and is a collaborative effort with instructors from Kansas colleges. The objective is to provide insight into law enforcement, and it allows students with a serious interest in KHP the opportunity to learn what the Patrol does.

The Academy also provides in-service training to all KHP officers. Other law enforcement agencies may enroll in continuing education classes.

The Academy hosts prominent speakers and distinguished guests from around the country, which contributes to the success of the training program.

#### Two conferences held

Retired Lieutenant Colonel Dave Grossman-"Lessons from Jonesboro, Littleton and Vietnam: How Kids Are Learning to Kill and Learning to Like it" and "The Bullet Proof Mind"

Retired Sergeant Betsy Brantner Smith-"Female Leadership in a Paramilitary Environment"

#### Safety awareness class

In 2011, a class was developed, intended to raise the awareness level of high school graduates for safety awareness and risks that could be encountered.

#### Salina Junior Law Enforcement Band

The Salina Junior Law Enforcement Band met every Tuesday through the school year for rehearsals. They placed first at the 2011 Elitch Gardens Music Festival in Denver, CO. They held two concerts at the Academy with 353 people attending.

## **Breath Alcohol Unit**

#### BAU Boot Camp

A BAU Boot Camp class, designed for a prosecutor new to prosecuting DUI cases, was held in 2011. It helps prosecutors better prepare cases to present to a jury and deal with challenges to the testing procedures. The Breath Alcohol Unit resides in Troop J and is responsible for DUI detection certification for all uniformed personnel, as well as the training and certification of the Drug Recognition Experts (DRE). Unit members also provide training to other law enforcement agencies, and assist with DUI checklanes and enforcement activities throughout the state.



#### **FY-2011 Activities**

4,645 students from 144 law enforcement agencies earned 3,441 training hours.

79 classes offered to other agencies.

Cadet Law Enforcement Academy Graduation, approx. 136 attendees.

KHP Recruit Class Family Program with 130 attendees & Recruit Class Graduation with 625 attendees.

Served approx. 20,292 meals.

Scheduled approx. 6,310 dorm rooms.

Instructors taught over 816 hours outside Troop J to over 3,324 students.

#### Other agency use

23 state agencies conducted 66 training sessions for 1,867 students, for 713 training hours.

13 local agencies conducted 80 classes for 2,122 students, for 1,039 training hours.

Hutchinson Community College held their Nurse Program Pinning Ceremony for 170 people.

#### FY-2011 Highlights

Cadet Law Enforcement Academy

Kansas Collegiate Law

Kansas Highway Patrol's "Prosecutor's DUI Boot Camp"

"Potpourri & Bath Salts presentation," sponsored by Salina PD/City of Salina

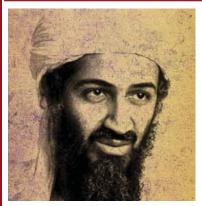


## Troop K

#### **Capitol Police**

Commander: Captain Marc McCune Headquartered in Topeka Patrol Capitol Complex area in downtown Topeka

#### Precautions taken following Osama bin Laden's death



After al Qaeda Chief Osama bin Laden's death was announced, Troop K members increased security around the Capitol and on the Capitol grounds. The heightened security was a proactive measure taken in case his followers attempted retribution. Additional patrols were added, doors were locked, and bomb sniffing dogs were on the grounds of the State Capitol.

## Traffic stop gleans info for arrest by Gang Unit

A Capitol Police officer stopped a pickup truck at 15th and Harrison in Topeka. The 16-year-old driver didn't have a license, and neither did the teenage passengers. The driver, who was listed in the NCIC Gang file was ticketed for violations and a friend picked up the vehicle. Following the stop, the officer followed up with the Topeka PD Gang Unit's request for information, and left a message on their machine. At the time of the stop, the Topeka Gang Unit was in the process of applying for an arrest warrant for the driver. The driver's warrant for Attempted Murder/Aggravated Battery was entered in NCIC 45 minutes after the stop. When the Gang Unit received the message, they contacted the officer, and with the information collected during the stop, they were able to find the driver and take him into custody.

## Murder suspect caught after seatbelt stop

In February, a Capitol Police officer stopped a vehicle near downtown Topeka for driver and passenger seatbelt violations. The driver was suspended and had a felony warrant for Aggravated Robbery. He was taken into custody, and while at the Shawnee County Jail, it was discovered the man also had a warrant for murder, stemming from a 2007 cold case. He was held in lieu of \$1 million bond.



## Burglary/Battery suspects taken into custody

A group of five men broke into an occupied trailer on Kansas Avenue in June. The men maced the resident, drug him out of the trailer, and beat him severely. A Capitol Police officer heard the vehicle description, just as the suspect vehicle passed by. He stopped the vehicle and was able to detain all five occupants until Topeka PD units arrived. All five were taken to jail on charges of Aggravated Burglary, Aggravated Battery, and felony drug charges.

## Two stolen vehicles recovered in one night

On May 4, Capitol Police officers recovered two stolen vehicles within three hours and four minutes of each other. First, an officer ran a tag and discovered a 1998 Chevy was listed as stolen. A stop was made at Forest and Sardou, and the driver was taken into custody. The owners were very grateful when they received a message their vehicle had been recovered. Just over three hours later, another officer ran a tag and discovered a Chevy car he was following was stolen. Officers stopped the car at 6th and Taylor. The driver was taken into custody, and the owner arrived to pick up her vehicle.

## Troop M

## Central Communications Criminal Justice Information Systems (CJIS)

Commander: Captain Randy Moon

Headquartered in Topeka



Lieutenant John Guerrero

The Patrol's Central Communications Center for the entire state is located in Salina. Communications specialists support field personnel with dispatching services 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Daily responsibilities include maintaining radio contact with troopers; running queries to determine information on individuals and vehicles; taking calls from the public and other agencies; and dispatching personnel to crashes and other occurrences, among other duties and tasks. Communications personnel also coordinate blood and organ relays across the state, and monitor alarms and warnings, such as those issued by the National Weather Service.

#### CJIS:

Lieutenant Justin Bramlett

The Criminal Justice Information Systems (CJIS) unit provides training to local agencies throughout Kansas, and conducts audits to ensure proper use of systems. CJIS administers several components of the Kansas Criminal Justice Information System (KCJIS). Local agencies' computer networks undergo security reviews before allowing workstations to be connected. The unit manages and provides assistance to local agencies using the FBI's National Crime Information Center (NCIC), including FBI-mandated certification of all operators with access to NCIC. CJIS coordinates the annual validation of all Kansas entered records, such as wanted/missing persons, and stolen property. KHP CJIS trainers also instruct the Basic Law Enforcement Communications Operators (BLECO) training course for new local agency dispatchers.

#### **N-DEx Program**

Administration of the FBI's National Data Exchange (N-DEx) program continued throughout 2011. N-DEx allows agencies across the nation to share and manage incident/case report and arrest information with each other.

#### FBI tri-annual audit conducted

In August, the FBI CJIS Division conducted its tri-annual audit of the state of Kansas and the Kansas Highway Patrol. The purpose was to ensure that as the CJIS Systems Agency for the state, KHP is performing its mission to train, audit, and enforce FBI CJIS policies. As in the past, Kansas had a very low error rate in the areas that were assessed.

#### Computer Aided Dispatch replaced

A new state-of-the-art Computer Aided Dispatch System (CAD) replaced an aging and outdated 10-year-old system. The new CAD increases efficiencies and provides much needed improvements to KHP dispatching operations. See page 39 for more information on this project.

For information on the 800 MHz radio system project, see page 39.



#### Troop M 2011 stats:

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NCIC audits conducted on local agencies

79 Classes instructed by CJIS Trainers

1,444 Personnel trained

#### **NCIC Technical Audit Program**

Onsite NCIC technical audits conducted on local agencies

16 FBI ITSA (Information Technology Security Audits) conducted

189 KCJIS requests for access reviewed and approved

New mnemonics added to the KCJIS system

5 Local Area Security
officer (LASO) classes,
with 198 local agency
personnel trained

#### N-DEx 2011 stats

New N-DEx users approved

N-DEx training classes

held

552 New users trained

#### **School Violence Hotline**

Calls through November 30

303 Calls received

57 Referred to local law

enforcement



## Troop N

#### **Special Operations**

Commander: Captain Eric Sauer Headquartered in Topeka Statewide patrol

Troop N is comprised of the Domestic Highway Enforcement Team and Asset Forfeiture Program. It also provides personnel for joint task forces with the DEA, FBI, and the Kansas Intelligence Fusion Center. Members are specifically tasked with curtailing criminal activity statewide through criminal interdiction, and by participating in Homeland Security initiatives with federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies.

In 2011, Troop N had a significant impact on criminal organizations utilizing Kansas roadways for criminal enterprise. Members of the unit provided training at five Drug Interdiction Assistance Program (DIAP) schools, with a total of 210 students, and provided two training courses to sworn members of the KHP. Additionally, due to Troop N's success, five outside agencies requested to observe the unit's criminal interdiction techniques and methods. Troop N granted the request with the intent to enhance their programs.

Troop N, and Troop S
(K9 Unit) stats

Cases	352
Vehicles seized	55
Weapons seized	9
Marijuana	8,194.612 lbs
Cocaine	49.086 lbs
Methamphetamine	81.631 lbs
Mushrooms	1 gram
Crack	0 grams
Heroin	3,630.8 grams
Ecstasy	0.60 lbs
Drug Arrests	514
NCIC Hits	26
DUIs	11
Other Felony arrests	160

## All KHP drug-related case stats

Cases	418
Vehicles seized	68
Weapons seized	16
Marijuana	9,353.114 lbs
Cocaine	49.915 lbs
Methamphetamine	85.647 lbs
Mushrooms	1 gram
Crack	23.5 grams
Heroin	3,630.8 grams
Ecstasy	0.60 lbs
Drug Arrests	614



Approximately 50 vehicles were stopped for other agencies (DHS/DEA/ATF/FBI), to assist with federal cases.

## Troop S

Special Response Team (SRT)
Police Service Dog Unit (PSDU)
Hazardous Devices Unit (HDU)

Commander: Captain Richard Peters Headquartered in Salina Services offered statewide



#### **Special Response Team**



## SRT hosts outside agency training

In June, the Special Response Team hosted a 40-hour Basic Operators Course for outside agencies. The fiveday course was taught by members of SRT, and covered a wide variety of topics relating to tactical operations. Agencies in attendance were: Shawnee County, Colby PD, Ottawa PD, Wyandotte County, and Hutchinson PD. All of the students performed well and successfully passed the course.

In August, SRT hosted a 40-hour Basic Sniper Course for outside agencies. The five day course was taught by SRT Sniper/Observers and covered topics pertaining to the law enforcement sniper and the weapon platform used by snipers. The agencies in attendance were: Topeka PD, Ellsworth Department of Corrections, and Norton Department of Corrections. All students performed well and successfully passed the course.

#### Barricaded man in Downs

On March 21, the Special Response Team assisted in arresting a suspect who fled the Jewell County Courthouse, and led officers on a pursuit to his residence in Downs, where he began firing at officers from the house. SRT took control of the inner perimeter and began negotiations with the suspect. When attempts to negotiate did not work, SRT deployed OC/CS gas into the residence to try and force the suspect out. During one of the gas deployment volleys, the suspect exited the residence with a weapon, and raised it toward SRT members. The suspect was shot. Once the suspect was taken into custody, he was transported by EMS and the residence was secured. The suspect survived, and although he had fired numerous rounds, no civilians or officers were injured.

#### SRT assists U.S. Marshals

On September 1, the Special Response Team assisted the U.S. Marshals when a fugitive from justice barricaded himself in an Abilene hotel. The suspect was on trial for child molestation and failed to appear partway through the trial. He was an active duty member of the military and was believed to be armed with a .30 caliber long gun. The suspect never responded to negotiators' attempts to talk with him. A plan to enter the suspect's room was developed, which involved an explosive breach on the door, executed by HDU, and cutting an entryway into the room with a rescue saw. When SRT entered, the suspect moved toward SRT members with an edged weapon, and was subsequently shot. The suspect died from injuries sustained during the shooting. No civilians or officers were injured.

#### **SRT** stats:

- 1 Hostage Rescue situation
- 4 Barricaded subjects
- 10 Warrant services (1 Meth Lab warrant)
- 2 Dignitary Protection assignments
- 2 Marijuana Eradication missions
- 1 Civil Disturbance

#### 4 Agencies assisted

Elkhart – Bomb Threat w/

HDU

Coffey County – Man

Hunt

Marshall County – Man

Hunt

Ellsworth County – Suicidal Subject



#### Police Service Dog (PSD) teams

#### **PATROL DOG ACTIVITY**

Felony suspects caught	17
Tracking Incidents	19
Building Searches	21
Perimeter Control	
Area Searches	24
Vehicle Assault/Search	
Demos/Attendance	
Evidence Recovered	3
Outside Agency Requests .	48
KHP Assists	24
PSDU Initiated	32
Patrol Calls Refused	

#### **DRUG SNIFFS**

Vehicle	295
Area	12
Article	2,706
Building	94
Outside Agency Requests	38
KHP Assists	168
PSDU Initiated	56
Refusals	158

#### **BOMB DOG ACTIVITY**

Vehicles 8,	231
Buildings	263
Articles 5,6	641
Areas	954
Outside Agency Requests	234
KHP Requests	113

OTHER ACTIVITY	
Instruction Hours	4,753
Felony Drug Charges	268
Guns Seized	
Stolen Vehicles	4
NCIC Hits	
Other Felony Arrests	33
Explosives Located	
DÚI	
Accidents	36

#### **RESULTS OF PSD SNIFFS**

Marijuana	.1753 lbs.
Cocaine	
Methamphetamine	6.5 lbs
Vehicles seized	10/50K

#### Kidnapping/Murder suspect located

PSD teams responded to assist the Coffey County Sheriff's Office in locating an armed kidnapping/murder suspect who had fled into a heavily wooded area. The PSD teams tracked the suspect approximately one mile. The suspect attempted to cross a small river and was challenged by PSD teams. The suspect shot himself. The PSD teams entered the river and recovered the suspect's body.

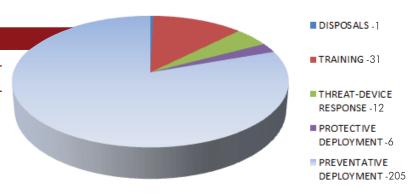
#### **Burglary suspect caught**

PSD teams responded to southwest Topeka to assist the Topeka PD in locating an armed man that had fled from a stolen vehicle into a residential area. During the track, the suspect continued to flee when ordered to surrender. The suspect was located in a backyard and was engaged by a canine. The suspect was later linked to several residential burglaries.

#### **Hazardous Devices Unit (HDU)**

#### HDU responds to threat at schools

HDU personnel responded to an explosive device threat involving several southwest Kansas school districts. Schools were searched in coordination with KHP and local assets.



#### Suspected IED removed from train car

HDU personnel responded to Dodge City to assist Amtrak regarding a suspected IED that was located in a sleeper car. The bomb techs deployed bomb dogs in the neighboring cars, and then entered the car with the suspected IED. Diagnostics were conducted and it was determined that the device was not a threat. It was turned over to Amtrak Police and they were conducting a criminal investigation into the item's origin and end use.

## Troop T

#### **Aircraft Operations/Executive Aircraft**

Commander: Captain Eric Sauer

Headquartered in: Topeka, Salina, and Hays

Services offered statewide



On January 22, aerial surveillance was conducted on a drug buy around Ellis County, after it was reported a large quantity of drugs was being delivered to Hays from Dodge City. Multiple agencies were involved. Two vehicles matching the description provided were located in Rush County by aircraft. Once in Hays, the aircrew began using FLIR to track the vehicles to multiple locations in the Hays area. At a shopping center, an undercover officer made a buy from the subject. One of the vehicles was stopped and the occupants arrested. They continued to track the second vehicle, which went into a housing development in north Hays, and pulled into the garage of a house still under construction. The aircrew told ground units, who proceeded to the area and made another arrest. With the information gathered from the stops the subjects made prior to their arrest, as well as information obtained from the suspects, additional warrants were issued and investigations were initiated.

#### **Murderer Located**

On May 9, the aircrew helped locate a murder suspect and a possible victim in Coffey County. The suspect was wanted for the disappearance and suspected murder of a 50-year-old woman from Carroll, IA. Authorities believed the suspect was going to dispose of the body on a family farm in Coffey County. The

aircrew located the suspect's car west of US-75 on a trail in a heavily wooded area, heading toward a Special Response Team, which had been dispatched. The vehicle stopped and the driver exited, running into the trees. Aircraft remained overhead, guiding the ground units. Ground units located the suspect, however he had already committed suicide as they closed in. An extensive search of the area was unsuccessful in locating the missing woman.

#### Suicidal subject found

On June 10, aircraft was requested to help locate a suicidal person, who had been missing for one day. The aircrew located a vehicle matching the description at a boat ramp on the northwest part of El Dorado Lake. The aircrew observed the subject move his vehicle to a parking area, exit, and go into a wooded area after retrieving an item from the trunk. The location was relayed to El Dorado PD officers, who made contact with the individual.

## Explosion monitored; search conducted

In October, the Patrol's helicopter and aircrew responded to a grain elevator explosion in Atchison. The aircrew assisted the Atchison Police and Fire Departments by providing a way to view the damage and fire on the top of the grain elevator. FLIR was used to help search for victims and to help locate where the elevator was still burning. FLIR

video and photographs of the damage were taken.



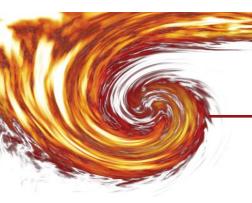
On December 5, aircraft received a request from Ellsworth Sheriff's Office to search for a missing 17-year-old in rural Ellsworth County. The aircrew arrived overhead and got further information as to a possible direction the subject may have gone. A short time later, using FLIR, the aircrew located a subject near some trees and a silo. Ground officers were guided into the location and identified the subject as the missing 17-year-old.

#### **Troop T stats**

698	Missions requested
565	Missions accepted
926.4	Hours flown
\$377,000	Stolen or lost
	property recovered
59	Subjects located
	during missions
88	Suspects taken
	into custody during
	missions

#### **Executive Aircraft stats**

97	Days flown
329	Departures
204	Passengers
66,025	Miles flown



## Troop L

#### **Protective Services Detail**

Commander: Captain Don Child

The protective Services Detail handles security for the Governor and the First Family in public. Visiting dignitaries also may be provided protection at the request of the Governor or the Highway Patrol Superintendents. Protective Services works with the Executive Aircraft Operations section to provide aerial transport for the Governor and other public officials. Troop L consists of four troopers and supervisors.

### **Public Resource Officers**

Team Leader: LT Allan Lytton

A statewide public information officer (PIO) represents the agency to the public and media regarding statewide matters.

Each field troop (Troops A, B, C, D, E, F, and H) is assigned a public resource officer (PRO) who works with the media in their assigned troop, recruits applicants, and presents safety classes to students and adults. The PROs are certified

child passenger safety technicians and maintain child safety seat fitting stations in each troop. The PROs also use rollover demonstrators and seatbelt convincers to educate the public about buckling up.

Troop I, the Motor Carrier Safety
Assistance Program, has two PROs who
work with the trucking industry and
associations on safety presentations

pertaining to Kansas state laws and the Federal Motor carrier Safety Regulations. Safety awareness is demonstrated during association gatherings, farm shows, and the Kansas State Fair.

Troop K, Capitol Police, also has a PRO who handles media inquiries reference events that involve Troop K, and those which occur in the Capitol Complex Area.

## **Honor Guard**

Team Leader: Technical Trooper Robert Istas

The KHP Honor Guard portrays the highest degree of professionalism and fosters pride in the organization by exhibiting respect and honor. The Honor Guard provides ceremonial duties at funerals, memorial dedications, recruit graduation, law enforcement functions, and other special events.

The Honor Guard is made up of 12 members, consisting of a team leader, color guard, firing detail, flag folding detail, body bearer detail, honorary pallbearers, and bugler.



## Homeland Security/ Emergency Operations

Commander: Captain Eric Pippin Headquartered in Topeka



The Kansas Highway Patrol has served as the Governor-appointed, State Administrative Agency for the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) since 2001. Funds from the grant program are used by state and local jurisdictions to prevent, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism by enhancing and sustaining capabilities. Kansas obtained \$5,137,205 in HSGP funding through the Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/Federal emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for Federal Fiscal Year 2011.

## Office of the Inspector General conducts Homeland Security Grant Program audit

The Homeland Security/Emergency Operations unit participated in a Fiscal and Programmatic Audit conducted by the Department of Homeland Security Office of the Inspector General (OIG). The Office of the Inspector General has been tasked by President Barack Obama to complete audits of all 56 states and territories by 2014.

The OIG initiated an audit of Kansas' management of the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) grants awarded during fiscal years 2008 through 2010. The OIG team visited with the Kansas Division of Emergency Management; Kansas Department of Agriculture; and the Northeast, South Central, Kansas City and Northwest Homeland Security Regions.

The OIG team's audit objectives were to determine whether Kansas:

- Spent grant funds effectively and efficiently; and
- Complied with applicable federal laws and regulations and DHS guidelines governing the use of such funding; and
- The extent to which funds awarded enhanced the ability of each grantee to
  prevent; prepare for; protect against; and respond to natural disasters, acts of
  terrorism, and other man-made disasters.

The experience of the OIG audit made the Homeland Security/Emergency Operations team stronger and more efficient. The members have been working to enhance Kansas' program, and are excited about its opportunity to evolve.





## FEMA reimbursements for disasters

FEMA reimbursements for natural disasters with Presidential Disaster Declarations are coordinated through the Emergency Operations and Accounting sections.

For the tornado and thunderstorms that damaged Reading (Lyon County) in May 2011, the Patrol received a 75% reimbursement, totaling \$9,991.91.

The disaster period for the flooding in Atchison, Doniphan, Leavenworth, and Wyandotte counties was from June 1– July 9, 2011. The Patrol received a 75% reimbursement, totaling \$17,994.49 from FEMA.

## Exercise

Wolf Creek Graded

In November the Patrol participated in the Wolf Creek Evaluated Exercise. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) require an evaluated exercise every two years for Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation to maintain its license. Preliminary results have been very positive. The Emergency Operations section is the lead in planning and coordination of the exercise, working together with personnel from Troop H, Troop B, and the Public and Governmental Affairs section, to provide stronger plans and outstanding exercise performance. The Wolf Creek exercise presents a superb example how state, private industry, and local partners work together to make Kansas a safe place to live.

## Strategic National Stockpile reviewed

KHP's partners at Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) in the Bureau of Community Health Systems are responsible for the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS). The SNS provides medical supplies during a medical event that might overwhelm the state's resources. A portion of the SNS was used to distribute the H1N1 Influenza vaccinations when they first became available to the public. The Patrol is responsible for security of the SNS assets. In 2011, KDHE had a technical review from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and their partners. The U.S. Marshal's service was very impressed with how well KDHE and the Patrol work together, and is using their security plan as a nationwide best practice.



## **Motorist Assistance Program**

Services offered in Kansas City metro area, Topeka, Salina, and Wichita



The Motorist Assistance Program is a joint project with the Kansas Department of Transportation which assigns technicians to Kansas City, Topeka, Salina, and Wichita. Technicians perform services to help keep travelers safe on the roads and to aid in the flow of traffic.

Last year, motorist assistance technicians had **46,815** services rendered, including changing flat tires, offering fuel, providing jump-starts, directing traffic at crash scenes, and removing hazardous

objects from the roadway. Technicians also checked **671** abandoned vehicles in 2011.

#### Special features of the Motorist Assist vehicles

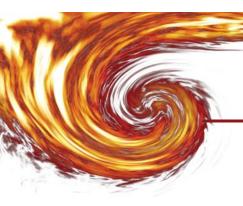


## **Motor Vehicle Enforcement**

Coordinator: Lieutenant Randy Myers Services offered statewide

The Motor Vehicle Enforcement (MVE) unit coordinates the statewide vehicle inspection program to increase the detection and recovery of stolen vehicles, and/or component parts. MVE trains other law enforcement agencies in auto theft and vehicle inspections, and works closely with the Kansas Department of Revenue in titling and registering vehicles. Inspections are performed by troopers, civilian VIN inspectors, and employees of law enforcement agencies who have agreements with the KHP.





## **Fleet Operations**

Commander: Captain Scott Harrington

#### Fleet Facts

#### **OUT OF STATE**

14 states purchased vehicles

- 19 Sheriff's Departments
- 7 Cities
- 3 Juvenile agencies
- 1 Corrections Department
- 10 Other agencies
- 1 University
- 1 Police Department

#### IN STATE

- 8 Cities
- 2 Fire Departments
- 14 Sheriff's Departments
- 1 Corrections Department
- 4 Other agencies

Fleet Operations is the backbone of the Kansas Highway Patrol's vehicle fleet. This nationally recognized program allows the Patrol to provide new model vehicles to road personnel. Vehicles are retired with the remaining factory warranty, and sold to other law enforcement and government agencies at a reduced price. This money is then put back into the program to purchase new vehicles. Fleet staff install equipment, such as light bars and mobile data units; perform maintenance as recommended by the vehicle manufacturer; and detail the vehicle for resale.



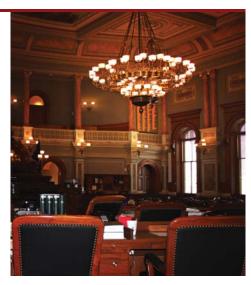
During 2011, Ford Motor Companies ended production of the Crown Victoria.

## **Public and Governmental Affairs**

Commander: Captain Scott Harrington

The Public and Governmental Affairs unit's main responsibility is to promote the Patrol's public image. This is done through media releases; media interviews; the development of a web presence; brochure design; and the production of public service

announcements for television and radio. This department also prepares and presents legislative testimony for proposed traffic and public safety legislation; provides security during the legislative session; and develops agencywide policy and procedures.



### Records

Records Custodian: Darian Dernovish



#### **RECORDS PROCESSING & REQUESTS**

#### **Accident Records**

Electronic Reports Received 7,798
Paper Reports Received 127
Accident Reports Requested 8,073
Film and CDs of Digital Images
Received
Phone Calls Received 8,365
Walk in Customers 701

#### **DUI/General Arrest Records**

DUI/General Arrest Reports	
Received	80
DUI/General Arrest Reports	
Requested	02

#### **In-Car Evidential Videos**

Videos Requested	3,219
Videos to Prosecution	1,398
Videos for Inter-Agency Use	762

Records staff process, maintain, and archive reports generated by Patrol personnel. They also respond to requests for criminal investigation reports and information for records checks. The Records Section revises the agency's personnel directory, supply forms, and prepares statewide mailings to field personnel. On an average day, Records receives 50 requests for crash reports, photographs, or videos.

### **PEER Team**

Team Leader: Chip Westfall

The Kansas Highway Patrol has a 28-member PEER Team, made up of both uniformed and civilian personnel, to help reduce the effects of emergency service-related stress issues on KHP members.

## PEER Team member contacts

PEER Team members conducted **219 assigned follow ups**, following incidents such as fatality accidents, medical issues, stress issues, and others.

Through multi-agency debriefings and individual contact assistance provided by the PEER Team members, the team assisted approximately 45 non-agency emergency service personnel.

#### 2011 Highlights

An International Crisis Stress Foundation Basic Debriefers class was hosted at the Training Academy, and was attended by 26 students, including five KHP members.

Three team training sessions were conducted, covering: Interpersonal Contact and Listening; Conducting Assigned Follow Ups; CISM Debrief and Defusing Practices; Emergency Service Mental Health First Aid; CISM Demobilization Techniques; and Review of Case Studies of CISM.

Three CISM debriefings were conducted by the PEER Team. The debriefings were held following the accidental shooting death of a child; after an intentional fatality accident during a pursuit; and following the demobilization of fire, EMS, and law enforcement personnel who were sent to Joplin, MO following the tornado.

Outside agency training was provided on the topic of stress management to 150 employees at LifeTeam Medical Air Service's annual in-service. A two hour Mental Health First Aid for the Emergency Service Provider class was presented at the Kansas Sheriff's Association's fall conference, with approximately 75 attendees.



## **Human Resources**

Director: Karen Holzmeister

Human Resources provides guidance and support on personnel issues such as affirmative action; selection/employment; classification; payroll; benefits; discipline and guidance; employee and labor relations; employee assistance programs; mentoring; and training.

## Policy Review and Development

Awareness and education are essential to ensure agency policies remain current and compliant with respect to new and changing state and federal laws; regulations; and statutes.

#### **Internal Process Review**

Human Resources continued to concentrate efforts on improving efficiency, reducing costs, and preserving assets by eliminating the use of paper correspondence as much as possible.

#### Possible Retirement Impact

Over the next five years

63 Troopers

18 Motor Carrier

Inspectors

8 Capitol Police

Officers

62 Civilians

#### Retirements

Captain Daniel Meyer

Captain Richard Walters

Captain Arthur Wilburn, Jr.

Lieutenant Martin Berneking

Lieutenant Lary Cole

Lieutenant Michael Hutchison

Lieutenant Robin Reitmeyer

Lieutenant Kirk Simone

Lieutenant Kevin Winston

Technical Trooper Eric Haskin

Technical Trooper Murray Marston

Technical Trooper Timothy McCool

Technical Trooper Denton Murray

Technical Trooper James Ramsey

Master Trooper Robert Baker

Master Trooper James Brockman

Master Trooper Charles Crawford

Master Trooper Scott Hamilton

Master Trooper Timothy Harding

Master Trooper Robert McGee

Master Trooper Bradley Smith

Law Enforcement Officer II James Denney Applications Development Supervisor Lloyd

Oultis

Public Service Executive I Linwood

Thompson

Public Service Administrator II Mary Parmentier

Public Service Administrator II Delano Weiler

Program Consultant I Ricky Humerickhouse

Program Consultant I Rita Shumate

Safety & Health Inspector Toni Anderson

Safety & Health Inspector Karen Stelter

Communications Specialist II Mary Beth Anderson

Communications Specialist II Sandra Bolt

Communications Specialist II Debbie Grosser

Communications Specialist II Kristine Holmes

Communications Specialist II Deann King

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Equipment Mechanic Senior David Gerstner VIN Inspector Supervisor Grover Williams, Jr.

VIN Inspector Lead Teresa Vaughan

Motor Carrier Inspector II Barbara Kalivoda

Motor Carrier Inspector II Janice Engelhardt

Motor Carrier Inspector II Marla Turnbow

Motor Carrier Inspector II Nancy

Administrative Specialist Elaine Gross

Administrative Specialist Sarah Richardson

Senior Administrative Assistant Carole

Creason

Whittenburg

Senior Administrative Assistant Linda Elliott Senior Administrative Assistant Linda Kyser Administrative Assistant Barbara Hodge Custodial Specialist Alden Eidet

Custodial Specialist Gregory Madden

#### Military Leave

Technical Trooper Jeffrey Norling

Master Trooper Jack Clary

Master Trooper Jerry Clary

Master Trooper Clarence Schreiber

Trooper Ian Gray

Trooper Roy Henry

Trooper Kody Olson

Trooper Jason Ruffin

## **Awards and Recognitions**



#### **Kansas Peace Officers Association Spring Shoot**

KHP Team, 2nd Place

1st Place, Fastest Speed Pyramid- Technical Trooper Jason Vanderweide

2nd Place, Speed Steel-Technical Trooper Jason Vanderweide

1st Place, Trap- Technical Trooper Jason Vanderweide

2nd Place, Handicap Trap- Technical Trooper Jason Vanderweide

3rd Place, Speed Steel-Master-Trooper Lane Larimer

2nd Place, Individual Line of Fire-Retired KHP Master Trooper Maurey Rose

2nd Place, Individual Speed Pyramid- Retired KHP Master Trooper Maurey Rose

1st Place, High Gun-Retired KHP Master Trooper Maurey Rose

#### Kansas Peace Officers Association (KPOA) Fall Shoot

KHP Gold Team, 1st Place

KHP Blue Team, 3rd Place

1st Place, Grand Aggregate- Master Trooper Adam Barta

1st Place, Fastest Line of Fire-Technical Trooper T.J. Wahlmeier

1st Place, Novice-Technical Trooper T.J. Wahlmeier

1st Place, High Gun-Retired Master Trooper Maurey Rose

2nd Place, Individual Line of Fire-Retired Master Trooper Maurey Rose

2nd Place, Speed Steel- Master Trooper Lane Larimer

3rd Place Individual Speed Pyramid-Retired Master Trooper Maurey Rose

3rd Place, Handicap Trap- Trooper Travis Noon

#### **Pilot Training/Certifications**

#### SIMCOM: King Air 350 Recurrent Training

Lieutenant John Peyton

Executive Pilot Courtney Dean

Executive Pilot Jack Garrison

#### SIMCOM: Wings Completion/Flight Review

Lieutenant John Peyton

Technical Trooper Ryan Nolte

Executive Pilot Courtney Dean

Executive Pilot Jack Garrison

#### **SIMCOM: Instrument Currency**

Lieutenant John Peyton

Technical Trooper Ryan Nolte

Executive Pilot Courtney Dean

Executive Pilot Jack Garrison

#### **SIMCOM: King Air 350 Initial Training**

Technical Trooper Ryan Nolte

#### **Certified Flight Instructor Renewal**

Executive Pilot Courtney Dean



#### **PROMOTIONS**

Lieutenant Colonel Alan Stoecklein

Major Jason De Vore

Major John Eichkorn

Captain Joseph Bott

Captain Donald Child

Captain Scott Harrington

Captain Christopher Turner

Captain Thomas Witham

Lieutenant Justin Bramlett

Lieutenant Joseph Bullock

Lieutenant Joseph Greene Lieutenant Brent Hemken

Lieutenant Jason Hoffman

Lieutenant Brent Hogelin

Lieutenant lan Ingram

Lieutenant Joshua Kellerman

Lieutenant John Lehnherr

Lieutenant Bryan Quick

Lieutenant John Riedel

Lieutenant Brian Smith

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Lieutenant Dennis Tate

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Technical Trooper Casey Simoneau

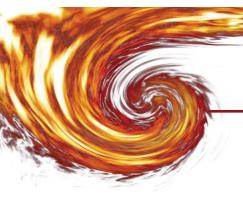
Chief Fiscal Officer Kimberly Torrey

Technology Support Consultant III Troy

Gilbert

Public Service Administrator I Amy Johnson

CS Supervisor Julie Schwinn



## **Awards and Recognitions**

#### **AWARDS**

#### **KHP Commander's Commendation**

Captain Dennis Gassman
Captain Art Wilburn
Lieutenant John Guerrero
Technical Trooper Brent Lies

Technical Trooper Greg Smith

Master Trooper Keefe Hemel

Master Trooper Mitch Mellick

Master Trooper David Morrison

Master Trooper Cody Parr

Master Trooper Joel Powers

Trooper Candice Breshears

Trooper Brodi Gosch

Trooper Reed Sperry

Capitol Police Officer Michael Pagel

Motor Carrier Inspection Officer

Johnny Throckmorton

Motor Carrier Inspector II Alan

Hendrickson

Human Resources Director Karen

Holzmeister

Recruiter/Employment Manager Susan

Pfannenstiel

#### **Distinguished Unit Award**

Troop S (Special Response Team, Police Service Dog Unit, Hazardous Devices Unit)

Public & Governmental Affairs

#### **KHP Purple Heart**

Technical Trooper Doug Schulte

#### KHP Superintendent's Award

Master Trooper Domingo Cardenas Trooper Perry Frey

#### **KHP Lifesaving Award**

Trooper Greg Arnold
Trooper Aaron McGuire

#### **KHP Honorary Trooper Awards**

Honorary Trooper awards are given to those outside of the agency for their brave efforts in helping Kansas travelers.

Summer White Michela Creel Danny Graham

## Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police Gold Award

Master Trooper Domingo Cardenas

## Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police Silver Award

Trooper Greg Arnold
Trooper Aaron McGuire

## Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police Bronze Award

Master Trooper Scott Proffitt
KHP Domestic Highway Enforcement
Team

## Living the Dream, Inc. Recognition Plaque

Kansas Highway Patrol

#### **YWCA Leadership Award**

Lieutenant Amy Ayers

#### **Law Enforcement Certification**

Colonel Ernest E. Garcia

## Gold Award for Valor, Metro Chiefs and Sheriffs Association

Lieutenant Jim Oehm

## Employer Support for the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) Patriot Award

Lieutenant Dan McCollum

#### Kansas Department of Transportation People Saving People Award

Trooper Bryan Clark

#### **Letter of Appreciation**

Lieutenant Josh Kellerman
Lieutenant Dan McCollum
Technical Trooper Casey Simoneau
Technical Trooper Shawn Taylor
Master Trooper David Albers
Master Trooper Ray Ramirez
Trooper Dax Lewis
Trooper Jordan Plachecki
Trooper Marcus Seirer
Trooper Neil Stanley

## Douglas County Emergency Management Preparedness PSA Award

Media Production Staff

#### McConnell Air Force Base Recognition for Lifesaving Efforts

Trooper Aaron McGuire John Youngblood Award of Excellence Technical Trooper Jeff Norling

#### El Paso Intelligence Center Largest Ecstasy Seizure in U.S. for a given year

Technical Trooper Lee Rose

## Fiscal Management

Chief Fiscal Officer: Kim Torrey





Fiscal Services is responsible for the agency's budget; procurement of goods and services; management of owned and leased facilities; federal grant oversight; and accounting and reporting of all financial transactions.

Approximately 11,200 payments were made in Fiscal Year 2011 for items purchased or contracted by the Patrol.

About 24 lease contracts are renewed each year, including facilities for office

space, storage, troop headquarters, and aircraft hangars.

Procurement officers research; conduct bids; and negotiate and prepare contracts for goods and services. In 2011, Procurement processed 4,048 purchase orders and prepared 27 agency-specific contracts.

## **PARTNERS Program**

Operated by the Kansas Highway Patrol, the PARTNERS (Providing Assistance for Resisting Trafficking of Narcotic Enterprise Related Sources) program allows local and state agencies to purchase products using the federal government's purchasing contracts. The only requirements are that the agencies purchasing products must have at least one sworn law enforcement officer on staff, and whatever is purchased must be used for counter-drug missions.

Often, goods can be purchased cheaper through the PARTNERS program because the contracts used utilize the buying power of the federal government.

FISCAL YEAR	2011
State agencies saved	\$76,740
Sheriff's departments saved	\$210,569
Police departments saved	\$162,617



## 2011 FY Expenditures

	REPORTABLE EXPENDITURES	% OF TOTAL
OPERATIONS		
Operations/Administration	\$ 54,314,943	69%
Breath Alcohol Unit	Included in Operations/Administration	
Training Academy	Included in Operations/Administration	
Aircraft	Included in Operations/Administration	
Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP)	Included in Operations/Administration	
Motorist Assistance	\$ 1,137,090	1.4%
VIN Inspection	\$ 2,156,474	2.7%
Information Technology	\$ 3,304,355	4.2%
	\$60,912,862	77.3%
CAPITOL POLICE	\$ 3,732,881	4.8%
TURNPIKE	\$ 3,818,004	4.9%
MOTOR CARRIER INSPECTION	\$ 4,132,438	5.2%
HOMELAND SECURITY	\$ 5,620,149	7.1%
DEBT SERVICE/CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 552,838	.7%
Total Actual Expenditures	\$78,769,172	100%

## **Information Technology**

Infrastructure Section
Programming & Development
Technical Support

Chief Information Officer: Mark Thurman



The KHP Information Technology team strives to improve agency technologies by aligning technological advances with the agency's business needs and processes. During 2011, the IT team lost several key positions and was forced to shift some job duties, cross train staff, and backfill positions for essential functions. In spite of the personnel changes, accomplishments were still aplenty. Projects such as CAD/RMS replacement, laptops for Troop G, and Windows 7 updates demonstrate the technical skill, innovation, and dedication of the IT unit. The agency leads the state in use of technology and many agencies are emulating the KHP.

#### **Support Section**

The IT Help Desk and Support staff provide hardware and software to support the agency's employees, including more than 900 desktop, laptop, and mobile computers in more than 120 locations statewide.

#### **Programming & Development**

Programming & Development writes custom applications such as KLER (Kansas Law Enforcement Reporting System) and supports vendor-created applications such as Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD), case management systems, and Image-Now records systems.

#### **Infrastructure Section**

Infrastructure manages the servers, network security, and other computer applications, such as e-mail and Internet.

## **Technological Advancements**

#### Windows 7 and Microsoft Office 2010

The IT Support section rolled out Windows 7 PCs and Microsoft Office 2010 software updates across much of the state.

## Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and Records Management Systems (RMS)

During the course of 2011, IT worked to replace the outdated Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and Records Management Systems (RMS). IT staff worked with the vendor to migrate 10 years' worth of CAD information and seven years' of RMS data to the new system. The data migration involved identifying all required fields in one system and mapping the data to a field in the new system. The team reviewed event codes, tow rotations, etc. and added new bulk scanning systems

for Records. The new CAD allows KHP to bring in Kansas Turnpike Authority CAD information, which will allow dispatchers to search all troopers' contacts. The combined system enables users to access information for all troops, decreasing the need to transfer callers seeking basic information. Finally, the new systems will put the agency in position to implement additional features in the future such as E911 and NG911.



## **Technological Advancements**

#### **Troop G Laptops**

Troopers working the Kansas Turnpike were assigned mobile data units for the first time since the Patrol began issuing them across the state. Troopers can complete accident and arrest reports, check emails; query vehicle and driver information; and much more.

## IAPro to analyze PSU stats

IAPro was installed in late fall 2011 and was put into production mode in January 2012. The software allows the Professional Standards Unit (PSU) to analyze statistics related to use-of-force incidents, citizen complaints, etc. to identify areas for reinforcement training.

#### Peak Performance Launch Pad

The CJIS unit initiated Peak Performance Launch Pad in 2011. The "launch pad" is a web portal providing online access to training modules, NCIC manuals, and audit documents for outside agencies. Now, officers can fill out a pre-audit questionnaire and return it to KHP electronically. The portal also includes access to automated NCIC tests, certification tracking, and more.

## KHP helps fund 800 MHz conversion

In 2011, there were 14 towers left to convert to the trunked 800 MHz radio system. The 800 MHz system allows troopers to be on the same radio system, and enhances communications interoperability with local agencies. The

seven Homeland Regional Security Councils pooled money, and dedicated \$1.7 million to the project, which covered half. The Patrol and KDOT each committed \$875,000, which made up the remainder of what was needed for completion. Seven of the sites were converted in 2011, with the remainder scheduled for 2012.

#### **C-VIEW integration with Aspen**

In 2011, KHP worked with the CVIEW vendor to build an ASPEN-like inspection application (InSpect), with interfaces to CVIEW query screens. The project will allow users to check a DOT number, import the information into an inspection form, then submit the inspection from InSpect. After processing, the inspections are made available for viewing from the CVIEW windows. This process will integrate data that currently requires multiple systems (PIQ, ISS, ASPEN, CDLIS, MCMIS, etc.).

#### Paperless Initiatives

#### **KLER Justice Solution**

The new RMS opens the opportunity for KHP to also host outside agency data for improved policing and officer safety, under the "KLER Justice Solution". The Solution provides a multi-agency functionality to allow other law enforcement to share their records with KHP. Participating agencies can manually enter case information and import Kansas Law Enforcement Reporting (KLER) forms to the shared RMS, as well as view selected data from other agencies. The system helps to improve policing efforts and officer safety by alerting dispatch when either KHP, or the hosted agency, has had contact with an individual or vehicle. It also provides additional information during investigations. KLER Justice Solution provides a records management system to smaller agencies at a significant cost savings. To use the KLER Justice Solution, each agency must agree to use KLER and submit reports electronically to the state.

#### Online Report Sales

During 2011, planning and development work was done by IT and Kansas. Gov to prepare for online report sales. The project is expected to be completed in late 2012.

#### **E-Citations**

IT began preparations for the agency's E-Citation program in late 2011. Electronic citations will be made available to courts electronically via Full Court upload or PDF. The Saltus DigiTicket application will be customized for the agency and rolled out in the fall of 2012

## **Professional Standards Unit**

Commander: Captain Daniel Brown



The Professional Standards Unit (PSU) provides fact-finding investigative services for the agency, focused on safeguarding administrative investigative processes, upholding agency integrity, and ensuring employee due process rights. The unit maintains the confidential archives of agency employee conduct investigations.

Troopers assigned to the unit investigate complaints against employee conduct or agency procedures received from both in, and outside, the agency.

Additionally, PSU staff provides training on administrative investigation processes to new employees and supervisors.

Professional Standards monitors and reviews investigations assigned to supervisors throughout the state as well. Investigatory findings are utilized to identify agency training and supervisory needs.

The Professional Standards Unit receives assignments from, and reports findings directly to, the superintendent.

#### 2011 PSU facts:

135 Cases processed

119 New cases opened

16 Cases carried over from 2010

#### Year-end **Dispositions:**

16 Sustained

35 Not sustained,

Unfounded, or Exonerated

62 Closed

20

Pending

2 Voided

## Legal Team

Legal Counsel: Darian Dernovish & Tammie Lord



In the course of providing Service, Courtesy, and Protection to the citizens and travelers in Kansas, legal counsel is often necessary. KHP legal staff provide legal advice, guidance, and direction to various KHP commanders and staff for day-to-day operations. This includes: interpretation of policy, regulations, and state and federal laws; legal training for staff; preparation of Memoranda of Agreement/Understanding; contract negotiation, drafting, and interpretation; progressive employee disciplinary action; responding to complaints received by the agency, Kansas Human Rights Commission, or EEOC, including racial profiling allegations; asset forfeitures; requests through the Open Records Act; and others.



## **2011 Statistics**



Investigated **6,589** property-damage only crashes



Investigated 199 fatality crashes.



Investigated 2,067 injury crashes



Inspected 10,146 school buses



Verified **140,369** vehicle identification numbers



Inspected **44,926** trucks



Seat belt use in Kansas increased to 82%



**1969** felony drug arrests



**821** felony arrests

## **2011 Statistics**





Cleared **1,369** database entries in the FBI National Crime Information

Center



Recovered 165 stolen vehicles



Issued **61,175** speeding citations



Spent **25,355** hours assisting **112,652** motorists



Issued **15,793** moving hazardous violations



Conducted 208 MCSAP safety reviews



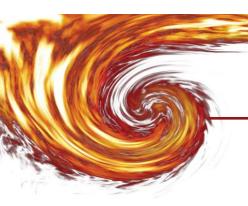
Issued 4,008 overweight violations



Performed **8,370** fuel inspections



Administered **3,123** preliminary breath tests



## **2011 Statistics**



Administered **2,073** evidentiary alcohol tests



Arrested **2,355** impaired drivers



Issued **27,138** seat belt violations



CHART responded to **79** requests for assistance, crash investigations, and crime scene reconstructions



Issued **2,110** child restraint violations



Conducted **2,823** criminal interdiction searches



Spent **9,881** hours preparing for court



Conducted 1,162 check lanes



Spent **531,668** hours patrolling **11,724,027** miles

## Lost in the Line of Duty



Maurice Plummer 1944



Trooper Jimmie Jacobs 1959



Master Trooper Dean Goodheart 1995



Trooper John McMurray 1984



Master Trooper Larry Huff 1993



Lieutenant Bernard Hill 1937



**Bud Pribbenow 1981** 



Sergeant Eldon Miller 1968



Trooper Conroy O'Brien 1978



Trooper James Thornton 1973