

O'Fallon Public Safety

Monthly Newsletter – September 2023



Friday, September 1: 4pm - 8pm
Saturday, September 2: 10am - 6pm
Sunday, September 3: 10am - 6pm

2023 T-Shirts (S-4XL)	\$20
2022 T-Shirt	\$15
2021 and earlier T-Shirt	\$10
Hat	\$15
Harley Davidson Raffle	\$10
Camper Raffle	\$10



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WELCOME!



L to R: Commissioner R. Thoman, Commissioner Martinez, Kenneth Morris, Brad Lewis, Tom Poenitske, Commissioner Brown, Aaron Krummrich, Commissioner S. Thoman, Commissioner Battoe

Please welcome our newest police officers who were sworn in on August 28th. Tom Poenitske and Aaron Krummrich are coming to us from the Fairview Heights Police Department. Brad Lewis served as one of our Chaplains and Kenneth (Kenny) Morris was one of our former Community Service Officers. Brad and Kenny will be attending the Academy which starts August 30th and graduates on December 22nd.

If you see them around town, please extend a warm welcome!

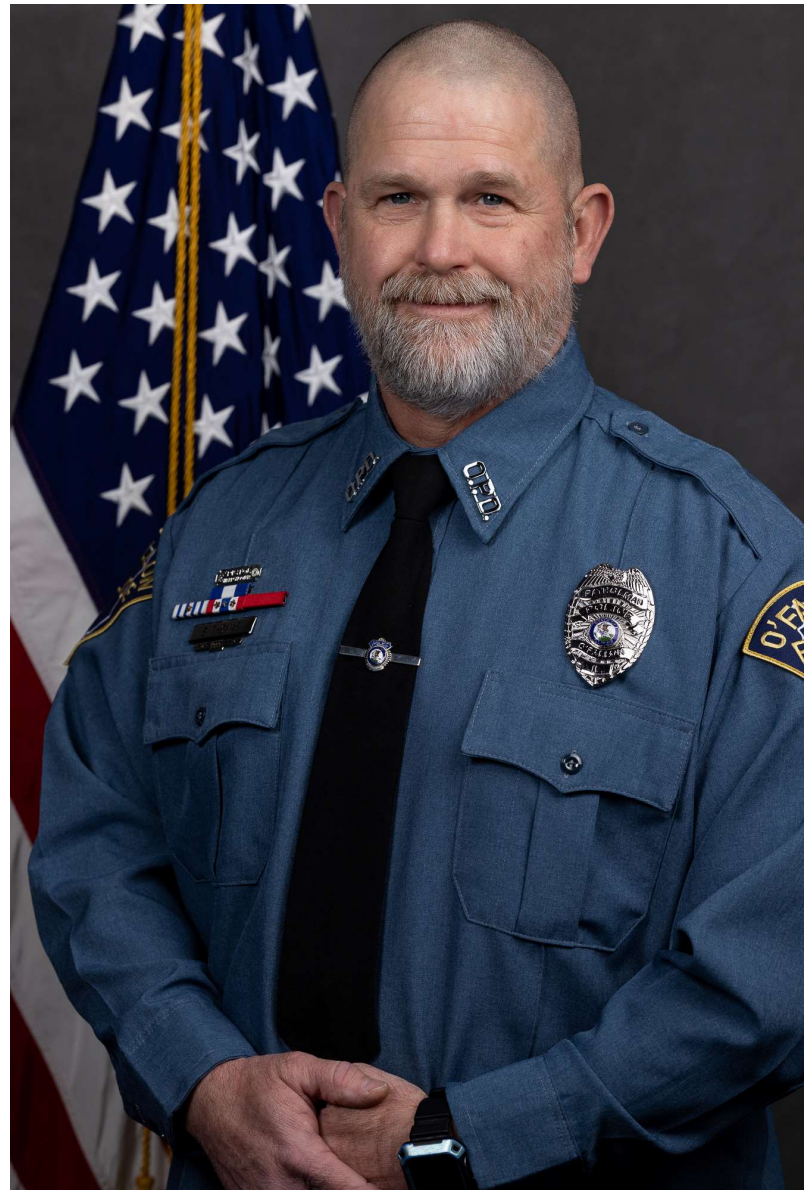


Three of our police explorers recently attended the St. Louis Area Law Enforcement Explorers Association Explorer Academy, held at Lindenwood University. There were about 42 explorers from 10 different posts throughout the St. Louis area that attended. During the week the explorers participated in PT, attended several training sessions and observed demonstrations in various aspects of law enforcement. The week ended with the explorers putting into practice everything they learned to compete in 11 different scenarios against 9 other teams from other explorer posts. Our explorers were awarded 2nd Place in Traffic Crash Investigation, 2nd Place in CIT Incident, and 3rd Place in Lost Child. Mark Stamos was also 3rd for the males in the obstacle course.

Please join us in congratulating Officer Brad Thomas (Ocean 57) on his retirement after over 24 years of service to the City of O'Fallon. Officer Thomas, who previously worked as an officer for the Cahokia Police Department, started with O'Fallon on January 7, 1999. His last day patrolling the streets of O'Fallon was August 8, 2023.

During his tenure in O'Fallon, he received many awards and commendations, including Officer of the Year in 2007. Officer Thomas has served on the Use of Force Team (Firearms Instructor), Traffic Safety Unit, Truck Enforcement Team, ILEAS Mobile Field Force, and was the department armorer. He is also a member of the O'Fallon Police Honor Guard, a bike officer, and instructor at the SWIC Police Academy.

We would like to thank Officer Thomas for his dedication to professionalism and the service to our community these past 24+ years. Enjoy your retirement!



2023 Night to Unite!



Tuesday

October 3rd, 2023

6:00 – 8:00 PM

O'Fallon City Park

401 E. Fifth St.

Come enjoy food, refreshments,
and fun with your O'Fallon
Police Department!

100% FREE!

Free Food!

Free Goodie Bags for Kids!

Free Raffles for Bicycles and Pizza!

Police, Fire, and EMS Vehicles on Display!

Much More!





O'FALLON FIRE BLOOD DRIVE AUG 4, 2023



Donating blood can make a big difference to those in need.

We would like to thank everyone who attended our blood drive at Station 4 on Aug 4th. It was a good turn out and we were able to collect 19 units of blood to be donated to people in need. 1 unit can save 3 lives! Thanks to several of our Firefighters and EMS who stopped by as well. Pictured above is EMS Supervisor, Jeremy Sherman and Paramedic Crew Leader, Nick Fensom.



20th Annual IFSI Cadet College July 2023



Father/Daughter IFSI Instructors Jon & Hayleigh Williams above. It was just a few years ago that Hayleigh was a cadet herself.



O'Fallon Fire Rescue sent 10 cadets, 4 advisors and 3 instructors to the Illinois Fire Service Institute. This unique training program delivers hands-on, live fire training to cadets. Each course is designed to include skill building exercises, practical application evolutions and multiple immersive training scenarios that will challenge all skill levels.

The courses offered training in equipment & tactics for ropes, knots, gear and safety, structural firefighting techniques, basic auto extrication and emergency medical services.

Cadets in attendance were: Sam, Matt & Joe Allard, Luke McMinn, Hayden Countryman, Kylee Kampmann, Alexis Mooney, Mike Slaton, Ethan Aliano and Jordan Gunther.





WELCOME TO THE TEAM



NEIL FICK

O'Fallon Fire Rescue is happy to welcome Neil Fick to our department as the new Fire Marshal/Fire Safety Educator. He has over 25 years with building inspections and fire marshal experience. If you see him around town, please stop and introduce yourself.

Employee Spotlight: OEMS Car Seat Technicians

This upcoming September houses car seat safety week. We're getting a jump on it by recognizing our car seat safety tech's as the rockstars that they are! One of the services that OEMS offers to our residents and others in the surrounding area includes free and expert car seat installations. We have at least 2 large events yearly and host small events every Saturday at the PSB. Car seat tech's take an initial 40-hour course where they have access to 25-50 different brands and designs of car seats to gain proficiency on. They are taught best practices and tips and tricks to make proper installation look easy. Every 2 years, these techs complete 6 hours of continuing education and install 5 seats of varying designs to keep up with changes in the field.

OEMS would like to thank Supervisors Jimmy Holley, Tim McClain, and Jeremey Sherman as well as paramedics Patrick Lenz, Marty Nungesser, Patty Hefner, Terry Sill, and Nick Fensom for their commitment to car seat safety and education in the greater O'Fallon area.

