

LARGE DRUG SEIZURE

A vehicle stopped in Geary County on I-70, in May held 1,100 pounds of marijuana in a false compartment in the floor. The California driver, and both Oklahoma and California passengers, were taken into custody. A 1997 Ford was seized. The DEA assisted with the investigation.

REPORTED KIDNAPPING – ABANDONED INFANT

Troopers helped the McPherson Police Department search for a subject who allegedly kidnapped a six-week-old baby. The infant was located in a dumpster in downtown McPherson. While the infant was taken to a local hospital and was in good condition, the mother was taken into custody and sentenced to probation.

TORNADOES STRIKE NORTH CENTRAL KANSAS

On May 29, troopers responded to numerous reports of tornadoes and storm damage in North Central Kansas. In Jewell County, a tornado was on the ground for over eight minutes, damaging eight homes, destroying 10 homes, as well as local businesses and the city water tower. A tornado also struck in Mitchell County, damaging homes and outbuildings in, and north of Glen Elder. A tornado touched down north of Scandia, in Republic County, damaging six homes and downing power lines across Highway 36. Only one injury was reported due to the storms. KHP aircraft was utilized for damage assessments.

HOMICIDE SUSPECT – PURSUIT AND APPREHENSION

A 72-year-old rural Ellsworth County resident was fatally shot during a home invasion. The suspect had stolen a vehicle and then attempted to get money from the farmstead. A trooper located the suspect vehicle at a rural Lincoln County home and saw the suspect walking across a field. The suspect stole another vehicle and led the troopers on a pursuit through fields, pastures, ditches, and barbed wire fences before getting stuck in a field. KHP aircraft assisted during the apprehension. The suspect surrendered and was transported to the Ellsworth County Jail. He pleaded guilty to first degree murder and was sentenced to 20 years to life in prison.

TORNADO DAMAGES THREE TOWNS

Troopers responded to the Salina, Chapman, and Manhattan areas the evening of June 11 after damaging tornadoes hit north central Kansas. A tornado struck Chapman. Several homes, churches, the elementary and high schools, and other structures were either damaged or destroyed. One fatality and several injuries were confirmed in Chapman. KHP personnel assisted Chapman 24 hours a day, seven days a week with search and rescue efforts and with initial recovery efforts. The KHP Command Bus and aircraft supported these efforts. Manhattan was hit along K-18 by a tornado. Vehicles were overturned, and homes were damaged. Kansas State University sustained damage to several buildings and had total road blockage throughout campus. KHP personnel assisted with recovery efforts in the Manhattan area.



THANK YOU

Thank you for enforcing the speed limit on Highway 24 between Wamego and Manhattan, especially Monday to Friday from 7:30 to 8:00 am and 5:00 to 6:00 pm.



TROOP D

Northwest Region
Commander: Captain Kelly McGuire
Headquarters: Hays

CHILD FOUND SAFE

In February, KHP aircraft and ground units assisted Hays PD with a search for a missing four-year-old child. The child was later found safe.

TROOPERS ASSIST IN HOMICIDE INVESTIGATIONS

In March, troopers assisted with two homicide investigations. In Gove County, a subject was working on a vehicle, when his throat was slit. In Osborne County, Patrol units searched for a suspect and vehicle believed to be involved in three home invasions, one of which resulted in a homicide. Authorities made arrests in both cases.

MISSING AIRCRAFT LOCATED

In May, troopers assisted in the four-county search for a missing aircraft. It was eventually located in Phillips County. An emergency landing was attempted after the cockpit filled with smoke. The aircraft flipped and broke off both wings, injuring the pilot.

SUSPECTS APPREHENDED

Three suspects, wanted out of Michigan for involvement in attempted murder, kidnapping, and burglary, made two assaults at the Colby rest area in July. They led troopers in a pursuit on I-70, fleeing into Colorado. The vehicle crashed in Burlington and the three were taken into custody.

TROOPERS SAVE THE LIFE OF RETIREE

In October, two troopers (one off-duty) performed CPR on a retired trooper, saving his life.

INSTALLATIONS MADE TO ASSIST WITH TRAVEL

Message boards and snow gates were installed in the Troop D area by KDOT in preparation for the winter months.

DRUGS AND CASH SEIZED IN 2008:

318 lbs of Marijuana
121 lbs of Cocaine
1.2 lbs of Methamphetamine
5 lbs of Heroin
\$237,390 in cash



THANK YOU

I wish to express my grateful thanks for your troopers' lifesaving actions at the scene of my heart attack. I would like to thank all the troopers in Trego county. Without their help, my transfer from the Trego County Hospital to Hays Medical Center would have been much more difficult.

250 POUNDS OF MARIJUANA SEIZED

A motor home was stopped by a MCI Officer for a traffic violation in Clark County. A search of the vehicle found 250 pounds of marijuana under a bed.

ENFORCEMENT EFFORT NEAR HIGH SCHOOL

A selective enforcement was conducted near Dodge City High School. During the 75 minute enforcement, 46 seat belt and nine other citations were written, along with three vehicle inspections conducted. Nine members of the Patrol, as well as the Dodge City PD officers participated.

INTER-AGENCY TRUCK CHECK

In March, two MCI officers participated in a truck check near Elkhart. Oklahoma Highway Patrol, Oklahoma Corporation Commission, Bureau of Land Management, and USDA Forest Service-Cimarron National Grassland also participated. The event checked oil transportation vehicles to ensure proper licensing, product transportation, and weight and safety requirements.

On the Kansas side, 35 trucks were stopped and some were issued citations for safety and federal regulation violations.

TROOPERS INVESTIGATE TWO-VEHICLE, QUADRUPLE FATALITY INVOLVING AREA TEENAGERS

A two-vehicle, multiple-fatality crash was investigated on March 27, on U-160, in Ulysses. Four teenage girls were killed, and another injured, after their car pulled out in front of a semi truck and trailer.

Troopers assisted local Ulysses authorities on March 31 with security and traffic control during memorial services for those killed. A group of protestors picketed the services, but no incidents were reported.

PRESIDENT BUSH VISITS GREENSBURG

President Bush attended graduation ceremonies in Greensburg on May 4. Personnel from Troops E, D, and F, the SRT, units from area police and sheriffs' departments, and the KHP helicopter provided security assets requested by the Secret Service during the visit.



THANK YOU

My son was returning from a trip to Oklahoma when he blew a tire. After he changed his tire he could not get his car re-started. He called 911 and was transferred to your dispatcher. Because it was not clear where he was stranded, it took a couple of patrol cars to locate him. Being without lights on a strange highway is very frightening. Your dispatcher and officers were very kind and persistent. Thank you all for responding to this call and helping my son return home safe.

TROOP F

South Central Region
Commander: Captain Dennis Marten
Headquarters: Wichita

BUTANE SPILL CLOSES ROADS

Troopers worked an injury crash in Wichita involving a truck-tractor semi-trailer combination transporting butane. The driver fell asleep and hit a concrete barrier. The tank broke away and rolled down an embankment. Roads were closed for about 24 hours while authorities cleaned the scene. Some of the liquid was transferred to a second tank, and authorities burned what couldn't be transferred.

THIRD ANNUAL CATCH A SPECIAL THRILL EVENT

The third annual C.A.S.T. for Kids event was held at El Dorado State Park – Shady Creek Marina in June. The event paired disadvantaged children with amateur and professional bass fishermen for boat rides, fishing, food, and fun. Thirty children, 26 fishermen, and 30 volunteers attended the 2008 C.A.S.T. event. Other local and state agencies joined the Patrol in this event.

PERSONNEL ASSIST WITH BOMB THREAT

On August 28, troopers assisted Winfield Police Department with traffic control around Winfield High and Junior High buildings, following a bomb threat. Troopers responded to calls within the city as well. A canine handler responded with a bomb dog to sniff the school. Troopers assisted for nearly seven hours.

KANSAS STATE FAIR SECURITY

In September 2008, troopers statewide were assigned the responsibility of policing the Kansas State Fair, held in Hutchinson. This annual 10-day event draws thousands of visitors to the area. Troopers provide various services and interact with the public on the fairground annually. Additional troopers provide traffic enforcement in the Reno County area throughout the duration of the fair.

TROOPERS HELP ESCORT OBAMA

Troopers assisted the U.S. Secret Service in the escort of Senator Barack Obama from Wichita to El Dorado during his campaign for President of the United States.



THANK YOU

Thank you so much for taking time to come visit the kids again this year. The letter, handouts, pencils, and stickers were much appreciated too! All the children were very excited to talk about what they saw and heard during your visit. I am sure Daniel, age 4, will benefit much from the booster seat that you gave him. His mother, a single parent who immigrated to the USA, has very limited resources and he was still using a toddler seat. Now he will have a seat that he can fit in as he continues to grow!

Central Communications/
Criminal Justice Information Systems
(CJIS)
Commander: Captain Randy Moon

TROOP M

TROOP M ACTIVITY SUMMARY

315	Calls to the Kansas School Safety Hotline
121	KCJIS courses instructed
1,935	Total attendance at KCJIS courses
123	Local agencies audited
121	Security approvals (for a total of 488 new KCJIS workstations for local agencies) were reviewed and approved for KCJIS connectivity.
9	KCJIS Misuse investigations conducted

2008 TRI-ANNUAL FBI AUDIT

In 2008 the state of Kansas and the Kansas Highway Patrol were audited by the FBI's Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS) division. The FBI is mandated to audit every federal and state CJIS Systems Agency (CSA) every three years to ensure the integrity and security of data maintained in criminal justice information systems, managed by the FBI. KHP serves as CSA for the state of Kansas. Policies and procedures governing the use of CJIS and compliance with security measures are examined during the reviews. The 2008 audit indicated that there were very few errors overall in the state, and that the Patrol's CJIS Audit and Training Unit continues to be recognized by the FBI as one of the best in the nation.

TECHNICAL AUDITORS PROGRAM CREATED

During 2008, the KHP implemented a new technical audit program, adding two new technical auditor positions. The program is designed to assist criminal justice agencies who wish to access the KCJIS network.

N-DEX PROGRAM

Administration of a new FBI initiative called the National Data Exchange (N-DEx) program began. N-DEx is a national law enforcement program which allows agencies across the nation to share and manage incident/case report and arrest information with each other. KHP and KBI are working together jointly to help make N-Dex a reality for Kansas law enforcement agencies.

2008 KCJIS CONFERENCE

In June, the 2008 KCJIS Conference was held in Hutchinson, Kansas. Over 300 criminal justice employees attended. Once again the KHP CJIS Unit provided training and helped plan the annual conference. Plans are under way by the CJIS team for the 2009 conference.

NEW COMMUNICATIONS TRAINING

KHP Central Communications hosted a new training course for communications personnel from around Kansas. "Supervision & Management of Public Safety Communications Centers," was well attended and the KHP is planning to host similar courses. The Patrol also conducted two Basic Law Enforcement Communications Operator (BLECO) training courses for local dispatch personnel.



THANK YOU

*Sunday, July 13, I hit a muffler and cut my tire. I was able to pull over and call *47 on my cell phone. I was surprised when the Kansas Highway Patrol answered. I am a little old lady, it was hot and the traffic made me uncomfortable. A trooper pulled up, removed the muffler from the road, and changed my tire for me. The young man was most helpful. Hats off, this was by far, above and beyond!*

TROOPS

Commander: Captain Rick Peters

HAZARDOUS DEVICES UNIT

On April 9, KHP K-9s and handlers assisted Ellis County sheriff's department and the ATF with the search of a home in Victoria for several pipe bombs. The pipe bombs were located and disassembled.

KHP K-9s and troopers assisted the Fire Marshal's office in July with the search of a house in Baxter Springs, in Cherokee County, for explosive devices. Troopers located nine cardboard devices in the residence. The devices were removed and destroyed without incident.

In May a Patrol unit and his K-9 partner assisted Wichita PD in Sedgwick County with the clearing of a house in which Wichita PD secured a grenade.

COMPONENTS

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

HDU TECH CALLS

Threat Searches	91
IEDS Rendered Safe	7
Stand By	10



BOMB DOG ACTIVITY

Vehicles	1755
Buildings	76
Articles	5189
Areas	280
Outside Agency Requests	137
KHP Requests	14
Bomb Calls Declined	4

POLICE SERVICE DOG UNIT

K-9 UNITS INVESTIGATE BOMB THREATS

In February, only four days apart, two Jefferson County schools received bomb threats. KHP K-9s and handlers responded to assist local authorities in clearing the schools. Nothing was located in either incident, however a juvenile was taken into custody.

In April, two K-9 handlers conducted a search of Highland College in Atchison County after a bomb threat was received. Nothing was located during the search. The campus was locked down until the next day.

K-9 handlers responded to Baxter Springs High School in Cherokee County after a written bomb threat was located. Nothing was located during this search. The school was closed until the next day.

PATROL DOG ACTIVITY

Felony Suspect Apprehended	36
Tracking Incidents	28
Building Searches	28
Perimeter Control	34
Area Searches	70
Vehicle Assault/Searches	5
Demos/Attendance	17/505
Evidence Recovered	8
Outside Agency Requests	78
KHP Assists	8
PSDU Initiated	2
Patrol Calls Declined	6

SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM

SRT BUSY IN FEBRUARY

On February 2, SRT served a methamphetamine lab warrant in LaCrosse where four subjects were taken into custody. Paraphernalia and lab remnants were found in the home after it was turned over to local authorities.

In late February, the Wakeeney Police Department requested the Patrol's Special Response Team serve a felony warrant. The suspect was wanted for rape, was known to have violent tendencies, and to possess weapons. The team executed the warrant, and the suspect was taken into custody without incident.

PATROL ASSISTS THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE WITH SECURITY

In March, the Special Response team and troopers assisted the Department of Defense in Wichita with security for several high-ranking military officers. A KHP K-9 cleared areas prior to any of the planned events occurring, and troopers provided security at meetings.

KHP SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM ASSISTS IN SERVING SEARCH WARRANT

The KHP Special Response Team assisted the Stafford County Sheriff on May 1. The sheriff's department was serving a search warrant, attempting to arrest a KDOC parole absconder. The suspect had assaulted a female acquaintance in a domestic disturbance earlier in the day. A search warrant was obtained and executed, but the suspect was not located.

PATROL'S SRT TRAINS AT FORT RILEY

In October, the Special Response Team completed training at Fort Riley's state-of-the-art training facility. The training was dedicated solely to hostage rescue and counter-terrorism. Live fire houses were used during the training.

The SRT also trained at "Victory Village," which is set up as an entire community. There are at least 15 buildings, including a post office, hotel, and church. The community is also equipped with electricity and working sewers.

Training at the facility allowed the team to examine their safety measures and evaluate how their tactics work under live-fire conditions.



TROOP G - KANSAS TURNPIKE

Kansas Turnpike Authority
Commander: Captain Richard Walters
Headquarters: Wichita

STANDOFF RESOLVED

Douglas County 911 broadcast a pursuit that Lawrence PD and the Douglas County Sheriff's Department were involved in. They were near the West Lawrence interchange. Troopers monitored the chase and when it ended near 9th and Massachusetts in Lawrence, the subject, who was attempting to flee, exited his vehicle and pointed a gun to his head. A trooper deployed his TASER on him. The subject, who was also wanted in Connecticut and was a registered sex offender, was taken into custody without any further incident.

TROOPERS SEIZE COCAINE

Troopers stopped a commercial motor vehicle for inspection in Sumner County. With the help of a fiber-optic scope, 29 pounds of cocaine were located in a hidden compartment. Two people were taken into custody, and the 1997 Freightliner was seized.

RECORD CRYSTAL METHAMPHETAMINE SEIZURE

Troopers stopped a truck-tractor with a semi-trailer in Sumner County for a roadside inspection. The odor of raw marijuana was coming from the vehicle. After searching a false compartment in the sleeper berth, 42 bundles of pure crystal methamphetamine were discovered (total weight of 60.4 pounds), with the estimated street value being \$906,000. The tractor, trailer, and \$2,137 in cash were seized. This was the largest crystal methamphetamine seizure in Kansas state history.

FLOODING CLOSES ROADWAY

In September, heavy rains and flooding in south central Kansas made the southern end of the Kansas Turnpike (I-35) impassable for most of one day. Even though the flooding caused traffic on a major interstate to be disrupted, no injuries or accidents were reported. An unstable situation was kept from getting worse by the KTA employees teamwork.

TROOPERS MAKE MONEY SEIZURES

Two separate incidents on the same day, with two different subjects, resulted in troopers seizing \$342,786 in cash and two vehicles.

A trooper stopped to check on a vehicle on the shoulder, and the driver seemed very nervous. The trooper located \$147,706 in the right rear door panel.

The second vehicle was stopped for following too closely. After contacting the driver, the trooper observed nervousness and other clues of criminal activity. The trooper located \$195,080 in the rear fender and trunk compartment.



THANK YOU

Our daughter, Emily, was traveling on the Kansas Turnpike when she hit a sack of "something hard" and blew a tire. She was on her cell phone with us when one of your troopers pulled behind her. He changed her tire on likely the coldest, windiest night of the year. He then gave her advice on how to continue home safely on the donut. We are most grateful for the trooper who rendered such great assistance, sacrificing his time and comfort!